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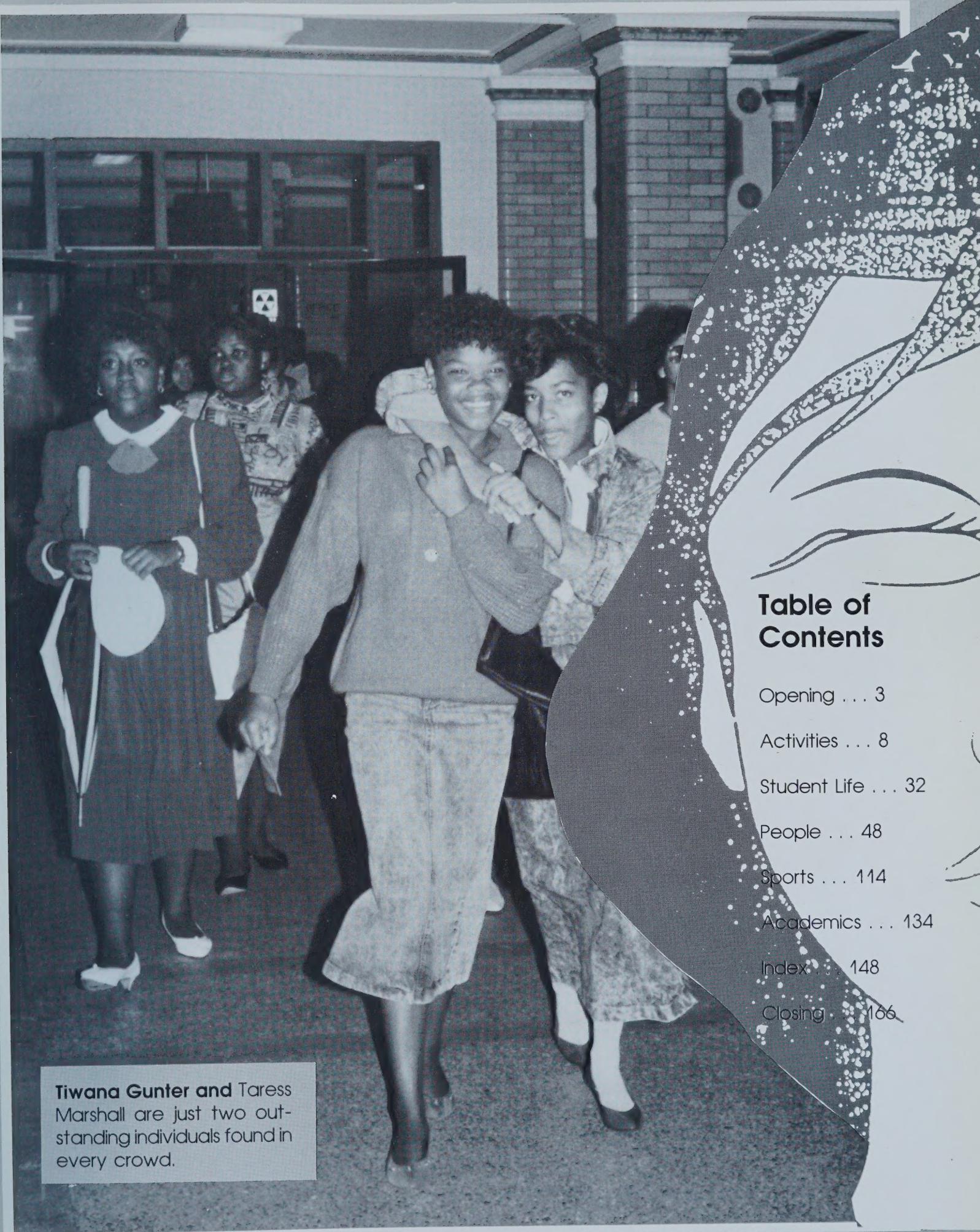


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Tiwana Gunter and Taress Marshall are just two outstanding individuals found in every crowd.



Alma Medina and Margarita Gomez are on
their way to class.

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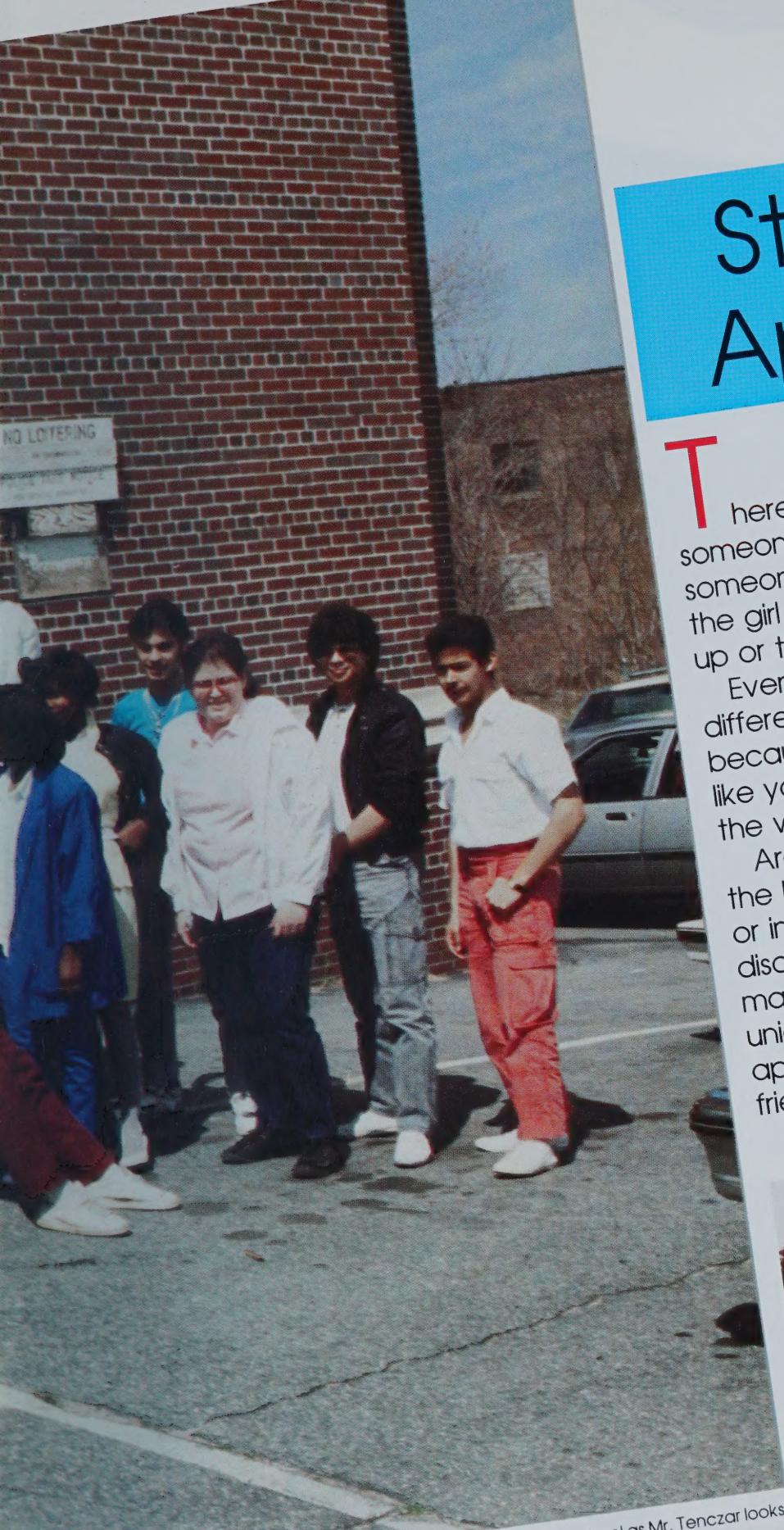
Standing Apart . . .

There's one in every crowd — someone doing the unusual, someone with eye-catching colors, the girl with the wild hair that stands up or the clown fooling around.

Everyone is different, and being different is a wonderful thing because there's no one who looks like you, dresses, talks or even thinks the way you do.

Around Commerce, outside, in the lunchroom, around the hallways or in the classrooms, students are discovering their own unicity and marveling at how their particular unique qualities not only set them apart, but also work to draw in new friendships.

It may be the tenacious way they



▲ Mr. Basili drives a crowd of students to school as Mr. Tenczar looks on.

► Ann Marie Santiago finds a unique way of getting to school.

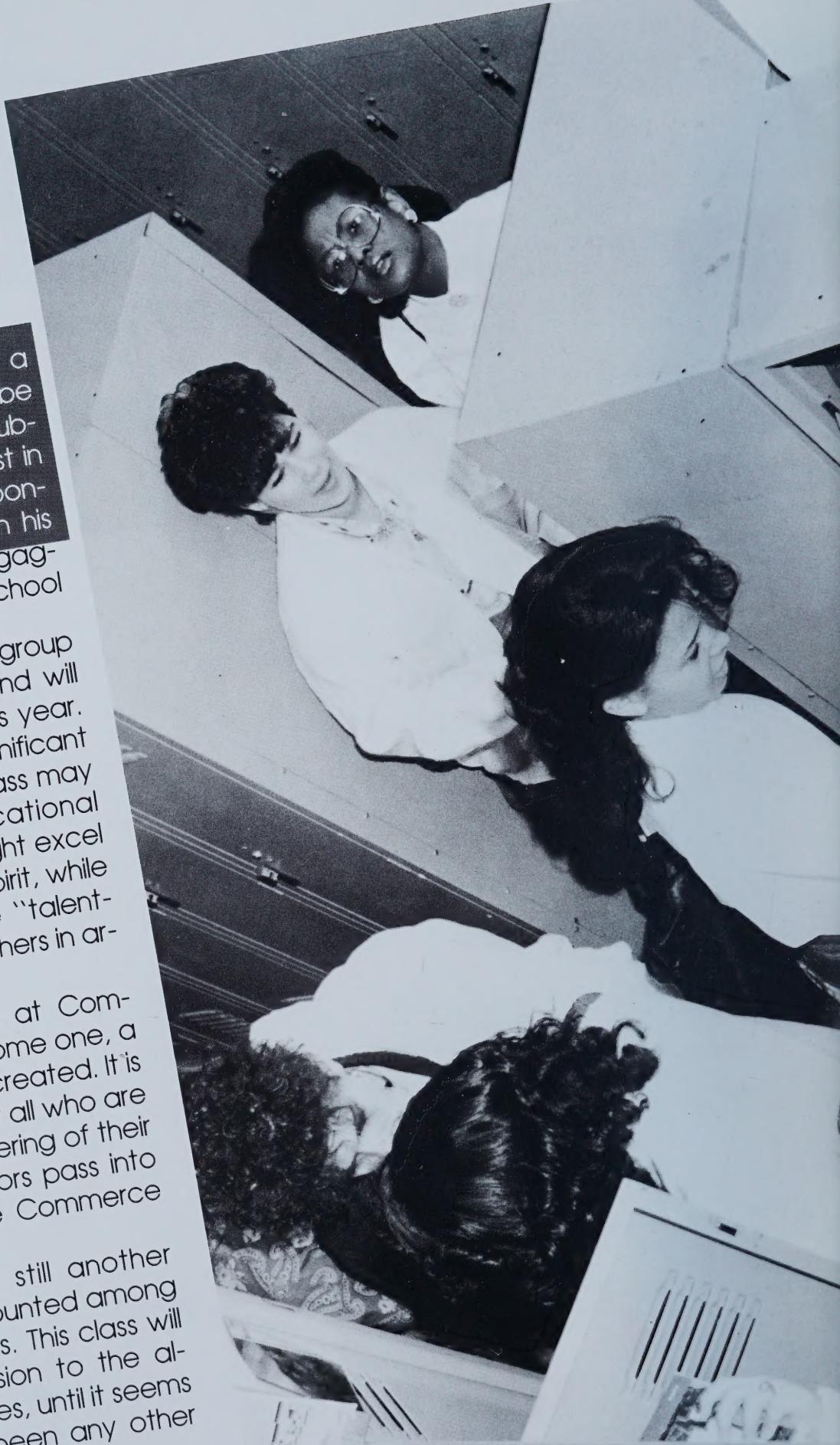


lead the class in discussion, or a fashion flare all their own. It may be their athletic prowess, or their bubbly infectious laughter. An interest in astronomy or a talent for cartooning — all these give a person his individuality and add to the engaging atmosphere at the High School of Commerce.

There is such a thing as group identity. Each class has it and will stand out in its own way this year. Each will add something significant to the whole. While one class may seem to strive for educational achievement, another might excel in friendliness and school spirit, while still another might be the "talented" class surpassing all others in artistic expression.

As the three classes at Commerce merge and become one, a multi-faceted whole is created. It is only at graduation that all who are involved feel the splintering of their group identity as seniors pass into adulthood and leave Commerce behind forever.

Next September, still another new group will be counted among the ranks of students. This class will add a new dimension to the already existing classes, until it seems that it has never been any other way.



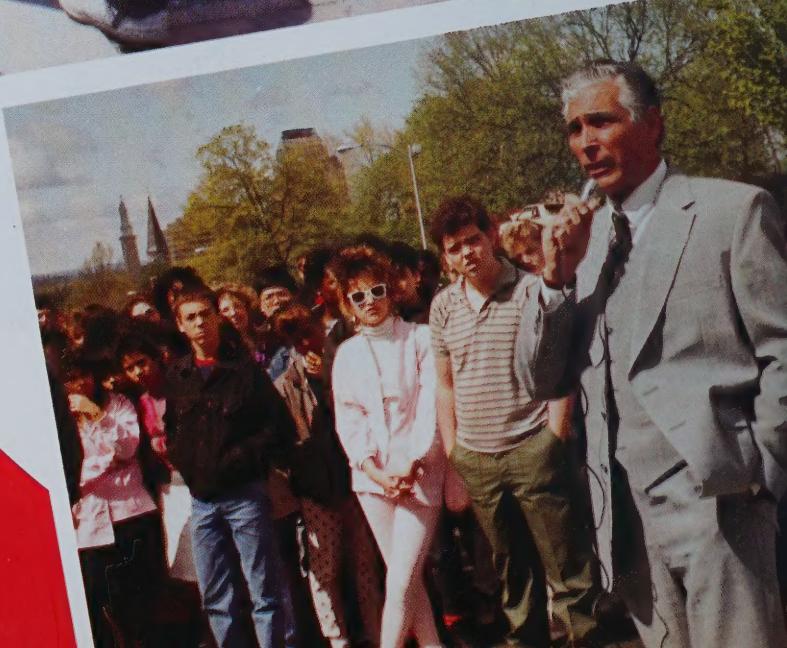
Hanging Together . . .



A Commerce student can be recognized by the sparkle in her eye and the sense of pride in her demeanor.



▲The Springfield skyline looms in front of students during a clear spring afternoon.



... Merging As One

Throughout a lifetime, you should try to realize those positive qualities that make you stand out. Instead of letting these traits fade out with the passage of time, you would do yourself and the world a favor by accentuating them.

Whether white, black, red or yellow, whatever your race or creed, you would not be wise to deny a part of yourself in order to blend in or be accepted.

Capitalize on what is uniquely you. It is the only way to go. Your happiness with yourself will become infectious until all around you are drawn to you.



▲Here are four charming individuals: Michele Stasiak, Michelle Petell, Marjorie Kochanowicz and Pablo Flores.
Mr. Basili has an important discussion with his "kids."





▲The Commerce student is a special breed that stands out in a crowd.



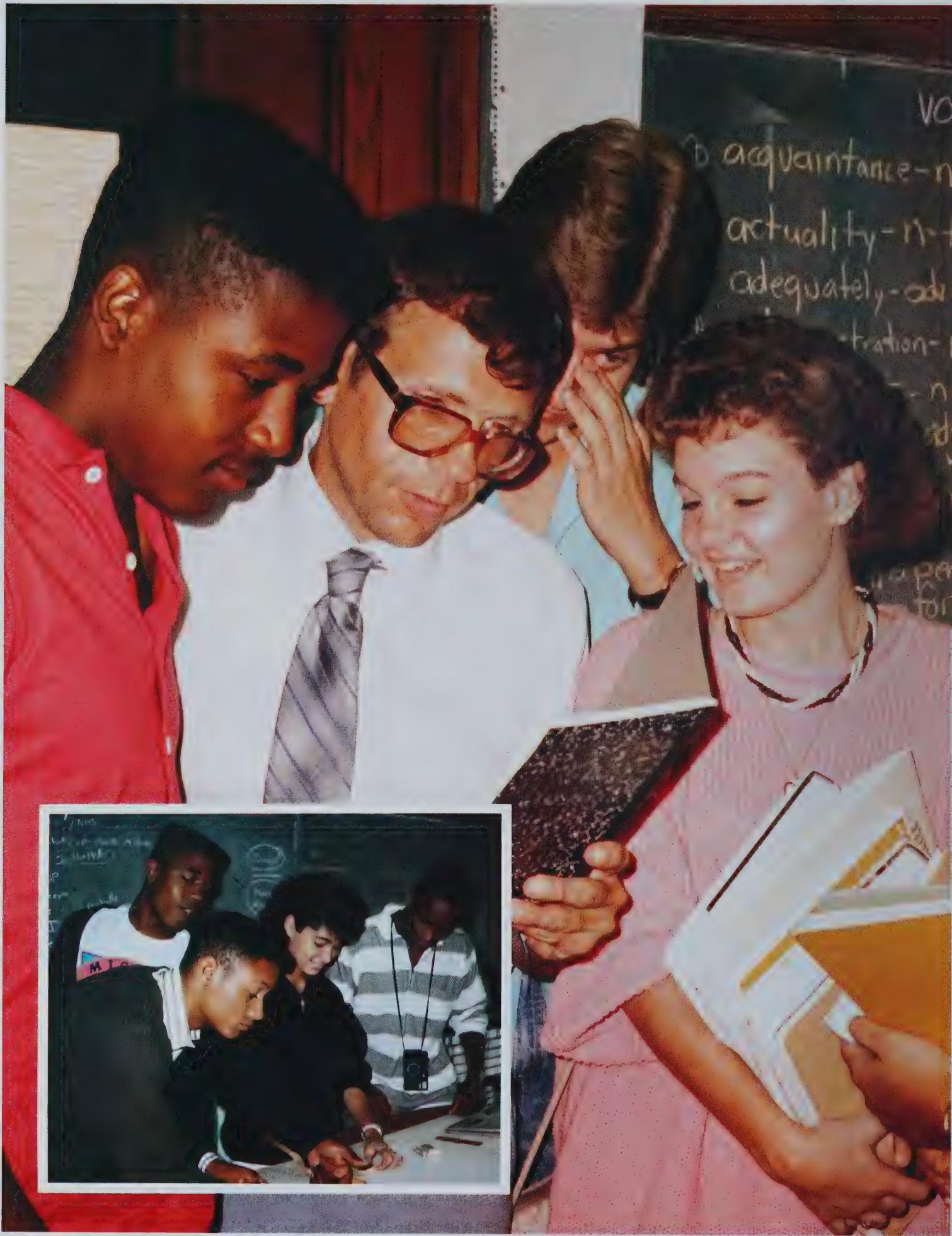
ACTIVITIES

At the High School of Commerce, we are that special something in the community that stands out. We are the leaders, not the followers. We are not just a building, but a building filled with special people.



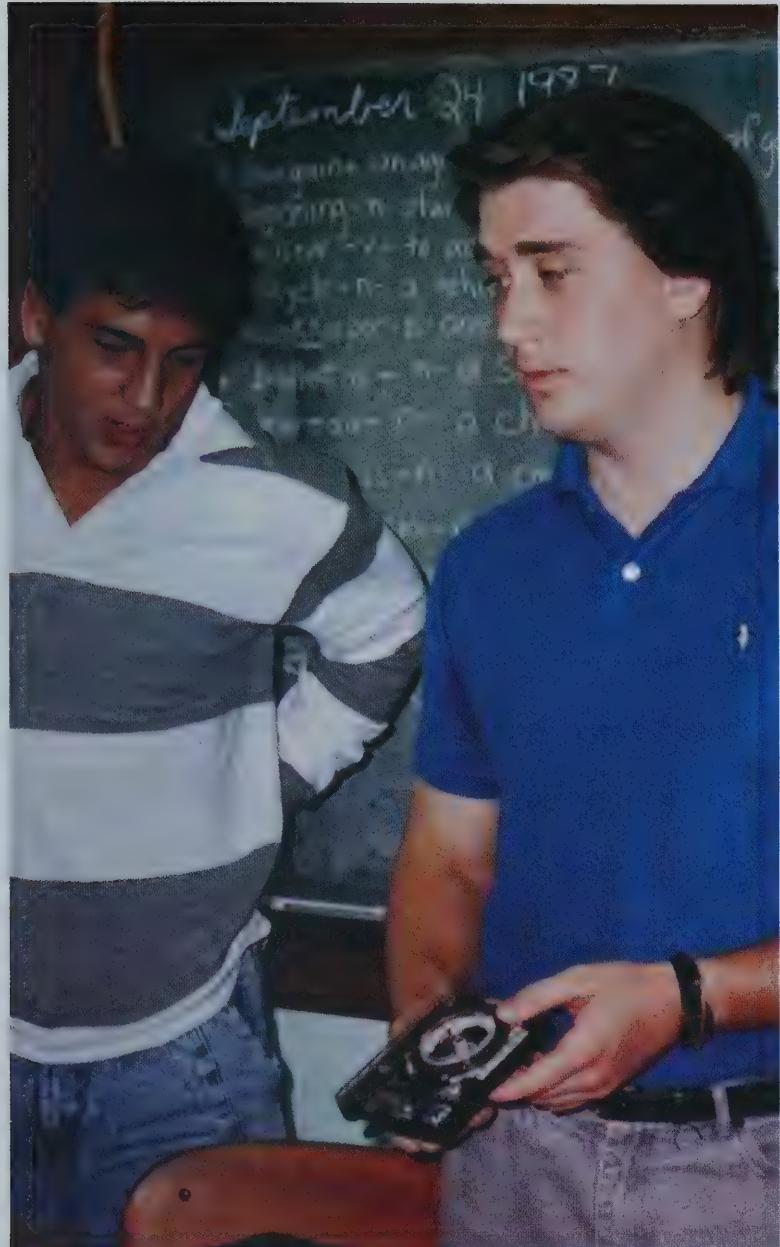
Alicia Cayode's dream of college is reflected in her glasses as Cherylann St. John looks on.

▲**Jaime Rodriguez, Ramon Nieves, Raymond Jenkins and Ed Pacheco** make the most of their high school days.



▲ Wayne McClean, Leon Davis, Maribel Ortiz and Alan McTizic discuss layout techniques.

▲ Gathering around Advisor Smist for their article assignments are Wayne McClean, Jonathan Fuss and Julie Dinnie.



▲ A guest speaker demonstrates how to conduct an interview for Todd Zeo.
▼ Alan McTizic makes sure his sports article will fit.



Members of the Newspaper Staff, back: Pat Kenny, Ron Cassesse, Mike Warren, Stephen Pulchtopek, Dan Feliciano and Dag Pfefferle; **second row:** Julie Dinnie, Linda Preston, Robert Jerome and Charlot Laarhoven; **third row:** Ramon Robles, Anabel Cruz, Sharon Taylor, Sharolyn Vickers and Lisa Gilbert; **fourth row:** Michelle Sulewski, Liz Reyes and Ann Santiago; **fifth row:** Cheryl Roberts, Maribel Ortiz, Alan McTizic, Elizabeth Williams, Carla West and Todd Zeo; **front:** Leon Davis, Mr. Smist, Wayne McClean and Jonathan Fuss.



Enterprising

The "Commerce Executive" exhibited quite a few changes this year that have made our school's newspaper even better than in the past years, if that's possible.

For the first time in many years, 28 inexperienced juniors and trained seniors combined to form the staff, thus creating an environment where seniors instructed juniors in the finer points of interviewing and article writing. An exciting blend of techniques and points of view were the outcome.

Topics of concern this year ranged from new school policies, such as our expanded exchange student policy and Project SCOOP, to the more per-

sonal side of student life. Guest speakers from local newspapers were procured, fund-raisers were initiated and field trips were planned.

The most visible modification was the

"With all these creative minds on this staff, this paper should surpass all others."

newspaper staff's new advisor, Mr. Smist. Although a first year journalism teacher, he has had experience working on Warner School's "Warner Gazette" during his student teacher days. Since Mr. Smist has always been interested in writing, updating school news

and seeing students professionally put together a newspaper, he gladly accepted the challenge extended to him.

The purpose of journalism class is not only to print our school's newspaper, but also to prepare students for the business world. Not only are there numerous openings in journalistic fields, but interviewing skills help one get to know others better, and good communication skills are always beneficial in the business world.

The favorable result of this year's newspaper justifies what Mr. Smist has said all year — that "the student body should be proud to have such a hard working group of people working together for the creation of the 'Commerce Executive'."

All That Glitters

Have you ever wondered who keeps the accurate records for all the money that goes through Commerce for our yearbooks, caps and gowns, diploma cases and prom and banquet tickets? Who could possibly have the time and patience to do this tedious job? Well, homeroom 113 has a major part in it, but these students couldn't do much without the help of Mr. Tenczar.

The G.O. class meets during homeroom and for the first two periods that follow. This gives the members time to keep all those files accurate for each student . . . and they learn in the pro-

cess.

With over \$35,000 going through that room every year, G.O. students need an admirable teacher such as Mr. T to help keep the books straight and to be patient and kind when they

"I like working with kids more than working in an office."

make those careless mistakes. But since your record has to be practically flawless to be selected, mistake making does not happen too often.

Mr. Tenczar has been directing the

G.O. accounting since 1981, and feels that it is a great job. But teaching was not exactly the thing on Mr. Tenczar's mind when he started college. "I wanted money, so I majored in accounting. I had a part-time accounting job while in college."

But then he did some work with kids one summer and decided that he "liked working with kids more than working in an office."

Besides putting himself fully into his job as G.O. advisor, Mr. Tenczar teaches accounting two nights a week and plays with a band every once in a while.

We are certainly happy that Mr. T enjoys teaching us, because we enjoy being taught by him!



▲G.O. members, first row: Dawn Curtis, Nydia Rosario, Barbara Czelesniak, Carolyn Severino, Elizabeth Santiago, Vionet Garcia, Madeline Villodas and Tammy Gallagher; back row: Stacy Bilodeau, Azanda Howard, Betty Gandy, Chin No, Ewa Zduniewicz and Anabela Cruz.



▲Vionet Garcia tallies the amount of senior dues she has handled during one day. ▲Mr. Tenczar encourages students to take their time and use accuracy.





▲**Julie Dinnie and Barbara Czelusniak** search through the files of student records to check a G.O. payment.



▲**G.O. members:** Russ Costa, Edwin Zarvala, Ying Bun Chung, Melvin Rodriguez, Carmelo Toledo and Mr. Tenczar.



▲ Deana Romasco, Pablo Flores and Alicia Cayode reminisce with the help of last year's yearbook.

▲ Co-editors Kate Belniak and Alicia Cayode discuss ideas for a better Caduceus.

R Creating Time Capsules

Room 218 . . . what goes on behind that door? Well, besides being the room for Miss McCarthy's English classes, it's also the control center for Commerce's yearbook.

Everyone knows what's in a yearbook, but do you realize how much work goes into that big red book filled with pictures?

This year, our staff, co-edited by Alicia Cayode and Kate Belniak, was a mixture of 12 juniors and seniors. Aided greatly by master photographer Corey Nedeau, the staff searched out every nook and cranny of Commerce's hallowed halls for things of interest. We even resorted to sneaking up on students at juice bars, malls and theatres

so that the complete life of the Commerce student could be depicted.

Don't be mistaken, a yearbook is a lot more than just placing pictures one after another. It's Miss Murphy and her staff contacting potential advertisers. It's knowing what's happening and

"We put all our effort into this book to make it the best yet."

where it's happening. It's making sure photographs will be developed in time for the deadline, and having interviews written up with plenty of time remaining for rewriting. It's creating aestheti-

cally pleasing layouts, identifying people, making sure names are spelled correctly, blowing up pictures, writing captions and . . . selling candy bars.

Yes, candy bars! To make the yearbook the best it can be, we felt the need to raise money. The result is a larger book with several subtle changes in it. Our cover is also unique: the design was conceptualized by our staff.

Some people may ask why a magazine or book company doesn't create the yearbook instead of students. It is understandable, however, that students can relate more to school activities, they learn in the process and derive great satisfaction from producing a "time capsule" of their stay. Please enjoy.



▲The Yearbook Staff members, front: Stacy Bilodeau, Pablo Flores and Marjorie Kochanowicz; middle: Barbara Czelusniak, Kate Belniak, Cassandra Bolston and Michele Stasiak; back: Alicia Cayode, Michelle Petell and Corey Nedeau. Not pictured: Deana Romasco and Lissette Torres.



▲The efforts of Miss Murphy and her advertising staff of Krista Pepper and Mia Dixon helped make this year's yearbook a success.



▲Lissette Torres interviews foreign exchange students.

▼The School Store workers, front: Dino Bedinelli, Bridget Pickering, Jean No, Gwen Gesin, Irene Lytras, Michelle Petell, Deloris Askew and Corey Nedeau; back: Barbara Czelusniak, Melissa Federico, Tammy Clarke, Patricia Chouinard, Cindy Guevin, Christine Sacheck, Kate Belniak and Tracy Swift.



▲Michelle Petell and Jean No are sitting pretty surrounded by school spirit items.
▼Ringing up a sale, Tammy Clarke counts her change a second time.



School Spirit

There's only a few minutes left to class and the students are growing impatient. While they're waiting for the bell to ring, they're searching for fifty cents. They're scouting out the easiest way to get to the school store to buy candy and whatnots without being late for their next class.

Candy may be popular, but it's not the only item the school store has to offer. Remember how you forgot to buy a new pen last night for English or a pencil for math? Well, don't worry. Just stop by the school store in the morning and buy your pens, pencils and even

notebooks.

The school store is also instrumental in boosting school spirit. It sells red and white pom-poms that come in handy for Red Day, rallies and games. They

"The student store is the place where school spirit starts."

also have keychains and stuffed Raider animals.

Students can even show their school spirit by wearing clothes bought in the

Thrive

store. They have classy looking Commerce sweatshirts, shorts, tee-shirts, football shirts and even Commerce socks. How's that for variety?

Mr. Varzeas is the school store advisor, and his marketing classes help keep the books. There are also many students who volunteer to work in the store during their study periods. Cindy Guevin is the manager and there are three assistant managers: Tammy Clarke, Melissa Federico, and Barbara Czelusniak. The money made in the store goes towards the buying of new merchandise, but any profits made go to the G.O. account which pays for senior activities.



▲Taress Marshall, Tammy Clarke and Dolores Askew find there's a lull when classes are in session.

▲Taress Marshall interests a customer in buying two shakers.



▲Mrs. Christman gives Jonathan Fuss information about the candy sale.

▲Marisha Clinton keeps a record of how she's been of service to her school and community.

▼Mrs. Christman passes out candy bars to Treasurer Stacy Bilodeau for a fund-raiser.
▼Below: Barbara Czelusniak (back to) dons an honors stole and chats with other honors members right before the induction.



▼National Honor Society Members, first row: J. Lopez, A. Morales, B. Hebert, B. Czelusniak, M. Kochanowicz, M. Clinton and C. St. John; second row: Y. Ha Chung, G. Fitzgerald, C. Chu No, A. Cruz, A. Cayode, S. Bilodeau, J. Fuss, C. Nedea and M. Federico; third row: J. Cumba, W. Ramos, J. Sanchez, F. Higgins, S. Vickers, E. McCray, M. Restrepo, A. Lessard, L. Preston, M. Chagnon and Mrs. Christman; fourth row: T. Nguyen, T. Zeo, C. Bolston, D. Marquez, J. Metcalf, J. Dinnie, Y. Bun Chung and M. Petell; fifth row: D. Bamber, K. Wilson, D. Tran, E. Villodas, V. McMillian, J. Caudle, L. Williams, C. Toledo, L. Robles and V. Garcia.



Cream of the Crop

It was begun in 1962 by Mrs. Helen Rankin, and is keeping the pride in our school. It's the Stanley O. Smith Chapter of the National Honor Society. Today it is advised by Mrs. Christman.

On January 13, 1988, Mrs. Christman carefully and successfully oversaw the induction ceremony for the new and two-year members. The members were honored by having Superintendent of Schools Mr. Donahoe, City Councilor Mrs. Kateri Walsh, School Committee members Attorney Kenneth Shea and Mrs. Allene Curto and our own Mr. Basili and Ms. DiSanti. During the induction, the officers and two-

year members related facts about the Honor Society. President Alicia Cayode spoke on the history of the Society, and stated that it was named after a for-

"There are more members this year than there's been in twenty years."

mer principal of Commerce; membership was discussed by Vice President Anabela Cruz, who mentioned the four traits that determine membership. They are character, scholarship, lead-

ership and service.

Mrs. Walsh then shared research she had done in comparing the American school system with those of other countries. She related how great the opportunities are here for the young people.

The new members then recited the pledge and accepted their certificates, while two-year members accepted their honorary pins.

Throughout the year, members stayed active. They worked together to raise money for senior scholarships and for the Forest Park Children's Zoo.

▼Commerce ski enthusiasts congregate for a break before catching a lift.

▼Ski Club Members: G. Perri, E. Janas, C. Van Laarhoven, L. Torres, R. Williams, A. Darc, D. Pfefferle and M. Trombley



Slushking And Snowplowing

A new and exciting activity recently organized is the Ski Club. Although there have been semi-successful ski clubs in the past, there was none in existence last year. However, it has emerged this year with twenty extremely enthusiastic members.

Meeting monthly during activity period, the Commerce skiers were advised by Miss Moynihan, who has been skiing since she was a child, and Mr. Varzeas, an eight year ski veteran. Together they planned weekend trips up north and talked up a storm about techniques and equipment.

Both Miss Moynihan and Mr. Varzeas

were delighted that there was so much response by the students. "It was nice that we were able to start the Ski Club so that the students who never had the

"Next year there are even bigger plans in the works."

exposure were able to try it," added Miss Moynihan.

Two one-day trips were taken this year. In February and in March, buses were rented, and 15 students and fac-

ulty headed for Stratton Mountain in Vermont with ski equipment and bagged lunches in hand. Five people attending rented skis.

During those Sunday field trips, the two advisors stayed with fledgling skiers and gave them constant instruction, while the more experienced skiers took to the slopes on their own.

Next year there are even bigger plans in the works. Mr. Varzeas stated, "We would like to see if we could get into Berkshire East in Charlemont for five weeks of instruction and free skiing."

Raising Community Consciousness

The Student Council began the year with a new advisor, Miss Gallo, and high expectations, and they followed through the year with a surge of energy.

A calendar sale was the first fund-raiser the Student Council generated. They also sold candy and made the first Red Day of the school year special by selling red and white carnations.

They also spent numerous hours making Christmas ornaments for the Giving Tree at Baystate West. The members ended with over 5,000 ornaments for the tree, the largest donation by any school or organization. For each ornament, Milton Bradley donated a toy to

a child in a homeless shelter.

With many hours of hard work and preparation, the Student Council hosted a large awards assembly just before

"They followed through the year with a surge of energy."

have been possible if it were not for the success of the fund-raisers.

The Student Council has also taken over the duties of a Key Club. The Key Club is an organized club under the guidance of the Kiwanis that helps in community projects. Miss Gallo and her Student Council/Key Club members held a clothing drive and collected several dozen boxes of badly needed clothing.

There's no doubt that the Student Council has worked very hard this year, and that their activities have raised school and community spirits.

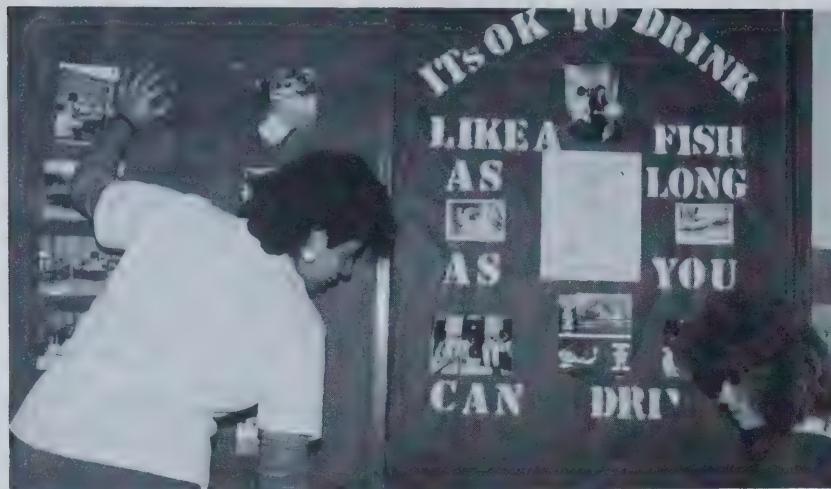


▲Shandell Carter looks over the month's agenda of community involvement.

▲Above: Miss Gallo helps her Student Council members sell pom-poms.

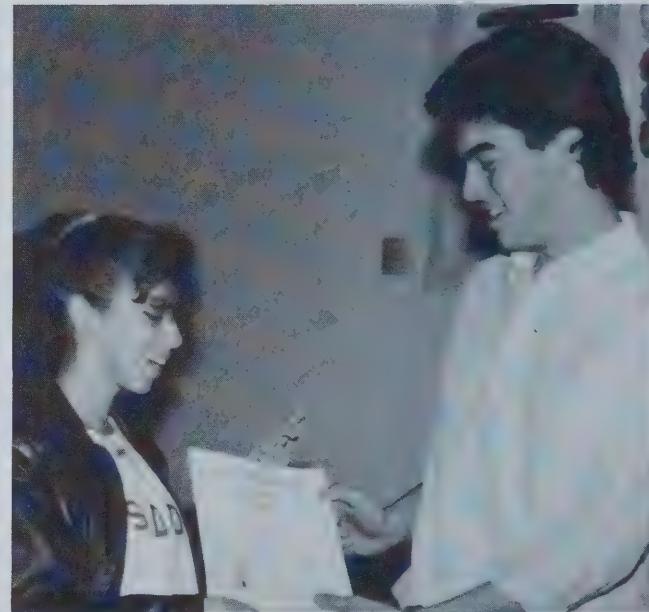
▲Student Council Members, first row: K. Egerton, B. Czelusniak, H. Ramos, A. McCray and S. Johnson; second row: Miss Gallo, S. Sutton, L. Williams, S. Carter, C. St. John, L. Preston and G. Lockett; third row: L. Chaplin, S. Franklin, C. No and A. Brown.
▲Sondra Sutton poses beneath an Open House poster.

▼Deana Romasco and Michelle Petell design a bulletin board for SADD. ▼Below: SADD Members, first row: L. Torres, S. Bilodeau, A. Cayode, T. Desrosiers and B. Czelusniak; second row: C. Nedeau, C. Powell, M. Petell, M. Koshanowicz and C. Butler; third row: D. Romasco, D. Hayes, C. Bolston, P. Turner.



▼President of SADD, Stacy Bilodeau, introduces guest speakers during a pre-vacation assembly

▼Below: Lissette Torres passes out Contracts for Life after the assembly.



Creating Alcohol Awareness

The SADD Chapter at the High School of Commerce has been in existence for the past three years, but this is the first year it has been so active. Stacy Bilodeau, president, arranged for speakers to come in from Alcoholics Anonymous and from the Western Massachusetts Correctional Alcohol Center.

The speakers from AA went to individual classes and told students how alcohol had affected their lives. They went into detail as to how the lives of their wives, husbands, children and friends were also changed.

From the WMCA Center, SADD had four different speakers to talk to the

student body in the auditorium. Ms. Roz Carter briefly spoke of what the program does for alcoholics. Officer Lewis Rivers told of his experiences with drink-

quiet enough to hear a pin drop.

Six of the 40 SADD members volunteered their time to pass out Contracts for Life at the end of the assembly.

Our SADD Chapter was fortunate enough to arrange to take a tour of the Howard Street detention center, where those who have been arrested for drinking and driving are held as they try to reform.

Mr. McCarthy aided Stacy Bilodeau in obtaining the required phone numbers to arrange for the speakers, while Miss McCarthy, advisor, carefully watched progress being made.

"Stories kept the auditorium quiet enough to hear a pin drop."

ing and driving related accidents. Then the two victim speakers were Wayne, who is an alcoholic, and Colleen, who killed a schoolmate while drinking and driving. Both stories kept the auditorium

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What is the Model UN? Well, it is the UN in miniature. The United Nations is a worldwide organization of countries established to promote peace and harmony among nations.

According to Mr. Scott, advisor, the Model UN is an excellent educational tool through which students from different schools represent UN countries and discuss and debate world issues. "They learn skills of debate, compromise and resolution writing," commented Mr. Scott. "They have become so involved, they are even writing to embassies in Washington for information

about countries they represent."

This activity, which met several times a month, debated two particular issues in depth this year: (1) What position

"They learn skills of debate, compromise and resolution writing."

should the UN take regarding problems of the Persian Gulf? (2) Should the UN recognize the African National Congress as a legitimate representative of South African peoples?

These involved students traveled to New York to visit the actual UN this past February. While there, members had the opportunity to meet model members from other area schools, tour the UN building and talk with UN staff. Their local conference was held this past spring at Western New England College.

This year's representatives were Hamilton Ramos and Lisa Gilbert for E. Germany, Lorraine Watt, Tracy Swift and Tracy Pieniak for Egypt, Authrine Reynolds and Shelley Davis for Zambia, Racine Ramsey and Jennifer Long for Ireland, and Rhonda Stoddard and Angela Ashe for China.



▲Model U.N. Members, first row: L. Gilbert, H. Ramos and J. Long; second row: D. Askew, A. Reynolds, T. Pieniak and T. Swift; not present: R. Stoddard and R. Ramsey

▲Hamilton Ramos, Lisa Gilbert, Rhonda Stoddard and Authrine Reynolds try to pinpoint their respective countries.

A Red Letter Day

It was a year of spotlights and raves for Commerce's music department.

The Show Choir made its first television appearance in November on Channel 57, the local Public Broadcasting Station.

Miss Wcislo was asked to perform on a TV program featuring music and art activities. She chose the Show Choir for several reasons. One was because of the nature of the material involved and the choir's direct involvement with music, art and dance. Another was the discipline of the group and their talent.

Miss Wcislo commented, "We have been seeking an opportunity like this

for a long time, and now we finally have it."

The High School of Commerce Concert Choir was chosen to perform at

"The Show Choir made its first television appearance this year."

Mayor Richard Neal's Inaugural Ball by the Committee to Elect Richard E. Neal on Saturday, February 6, at Springfield's Sheraton Tara Hotel.

Miss Wcislo revealed that the group was invited to perform as a direct result of their impressive performance during the Christmas concert at City Hall on November 30.

Mayor Neal was in attendance at the program and was quite impressed with the outstanding job of the Concert Choir.

There are also three other groups that perform for the music department. The Gospel Choir is an extracurricular activity that meets after school to study only gospel music. The Madrigal Choir sings with no accompaniment, while the Chorus concentrates on traditional music.



▲The Show Choir entertained the school during our Christmas assembly.
▲Top: The Concert Choir performed at Mayor Neal's inaugural Ball.

▲The Chorus concentrates on traditional music.
▲Top: The Madrigal choir sings with no accompaniment.



▲The Gospel Choir is an extra-curricular activity that meets after school.
▲Taress Marshall enjoys the rest of the Christmas assembly after her performance

▼Lynn Maillet receives finishing touches to help her look "in character."

▼Bottom: James Mannino and Robin Bailey buddy up to rehearse.



▼Cheryllan St. John learns the art of applying make-up to Dan Turgeon.

▼Bottom: Janette Rubet, Elizabeth Diaz and Maritza Osorio are alive with anticipation before the presentation of *That Girl From Texas*.



►Drama Class Members, **first row:** Gloria Lopez and Jackie Delgado; **second row:** Dan Turgeon, Lenise Williams, Liz Chaplin, Lisa Ross and Karen Weiss; **third row:** Nate Stover, Julia Caudle, Corey Miles, Heather Rogers and Robert LaFlamme.



Focusing

On

Perfection

Break a leg!! What do you think of when you hear these words? Acting, of course. And to provide our talented adolescents with the opportunity to grow, a period 7 drama class was initiated this year.

These dedicated "hams" performed two plays this past year. The first performance this winter was *That Girl From Texas*. The second play was greeted with raves this past spring.

Ms. Dunn, the drama coach, said, "Now that the drama club has become a class, students have a better opportunity to study acting." She fur-

ther stated, "Only students who are serious about acting are encouraged to take drama." It is a one credit class

"Only students who are serious about acting are encouraged to take drama."

made up of juniors and seniors who meet for one period a day.

To join, first you must audition. Ms. Dunn picks out a monologue which

must be memorized and acted. But you must also have excellent attendance and "a desire to work together with the rest of the class to improve acting ability."

An actress from StageWest comes in three times a week to offer workshops on acting. The class has also attended plays at StageWest and Symphony Hall. Next year they hope to go to New York and Boston to catch a few performances.

If you are interested, though, keep in mind that "joining the drama class requires an attitude that you will cooperate and work hard."



▲Liz Chaplin, Karen Weiss and Nate Stover show their excitement two hours before *That Girl From Texas*.

Building Self-Esteem

We all know that it's not easy being a teenager. We are constantly facing new problems and obstacles. The best way to deal with these everyday teenage problems is to stay on top of them and not get buried with them. This is not as easy as it sounds, and this is where Commerce can help.

The Winner's Circle is a new club this year at Commerce. The founder and advisor is Miss Blakeslee. The main idea of this group is to give teenagers the opportunity to share their feelings. Teens need a place where they can feel comfortable enough to talk and

discuss any problems they may have. Once teens start to communicate, they will find that they're not alone.

The Winner's Circle also stresses the

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importance of building self-esteem and desiring the initiative to become a winner. By learning to stay on top of yourself, you are open to new challenges and choices that you may not

have noticed before.

Throughout the year, speakers have come in to speak to members of the club. One of the speakers, Julia Maycock, a reporter from the Union, shared her feelings and comments in striving for self-satisfaction.

All of us have a long road ahead. If we plan ahead, build up our strengths and put our mistakes and weaknesses behind us, we can all achieve our goals. This is just what the Winner's Circle is all about.



▲Members of Commerce's Winner's Circle are joined by students from Central's AWARE group to listen to a guest speaker on "Improving Your Style Through Assertiveness."



▲Winner's Circle Members, top to bottom: Tammy Howe, J. Kimberly Hanks, Michelle Huard, Melissa Porter and Malissa Small.

◀Preparing a lecture are Almee Rivera, co-sponsor of the club, and Terry Hodur, counselor at Bay State Center For Displaced Homemakers.

▼Scott Jambors, a freshman, takes time to ponder his next move.



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Intellectual Endeavor

Chess is a game for everyone! There is no limit or restriction for anyone. This is probably why Dr. Franson decided to become

Chess Club advisor this past year.

Meeting officially every activity period, these students also head for room 119 before and after school each day to play. In fact, interest became so high among members, that a competition with Longmeadow High School was held in February.

Dr. Franson is not shy about his feelings for the game. "I cannot be moderate in my feelings toward chess," he stated. "I 'modestly' feel that it should

be a part of everyone's life. The game gives one immense amount of gratification, challenge and competition in a controlled setting. That is quite a return

"I modestly feel that chess should be a part of everyone's life."

on a rather modest investment in time. Could one ask for more?"

Having had no special standing or ranking in chess organizations, Dr. Franson feels he is, at best, an intermediate

level player who has played for over twenty years only for the pleasure of the game. But he does not hesitate to liken it to the normal artistic endeavors of society.

"Chess can easily be considered an art form. Those who play the game know that it is not possible to play the same game twice. Every game is unique. Each game presents its own beauty and challenge. Win or lose, one gains enormous satisfaction from a game that is played well."



▲Office aides, from top to bottom: Alicia Cayode, Corey Anderson and Yvette Lewis.

▲The smooth running of the library is due to the efforts of Mrs. O'Neil and aides like Ivelisse Merced.

▼The audio-visual aides: William Harrison, Scott Cornelio, Craig Misco and Ronald Pebley.

▼Nurse's aides, front row: Pamela Phelopoff, Lori White and Carmen Gonzalez, Emilia Capaccio and Lisa Ross.



▼The library aides: Emilia Capaccio, Heather Croteau, Lisa Ross and Ula Wadlegger.



Dividing Their Time

There's one in every crowd who is willing to help out. These students contribute to the various operations that allow the High School of Commerce to run smoothly by serving as aides for several activities.

Such operations include delivering bulletins and supplies, writing out tardy passes and collecting attendance cards. "These office aides are a great help," offered Mr. Malone, office secretary. "It also helps them gain experience, too."

In addition, we have library aides who check passes and collect overdue books. According to our librarian

Mrs. O'Neil, they are providing a service for the students by making the library more functional.

The nurse's aides put forms together for sports, file students' records, run er-

"The experience should benefit them as well as the school."

rands and log students out of school. Mrs. Bogan admits, "I don't know what I'd do without them."

The cafeteria runs smoothly due to the help of the cafeteria aides, stu-

dents who cashier and collect and clean trays.

Audio-visual aides play an important role because they deliver films and projectors to the faculty. Mr. Olejarcz feels just the way the rest of the faculty do, that "the AV students and materials are a tremendous asset to the learning experiences of the Commerce students."

Finally, many student volunteers are selected by their counselors to write out passes and deliver them during their study periods.

Thanks to these personable people, Commerce is a more enjoyable place.



▲ Students learn how to organize a party in Family Relations class.



STUDENT LIFE

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xtracurricular activities are the mainstay of every student. While intellectual juices are stirred in the classroom, clubs and activities become a source of friendship, creativity and self-fulfillment.



Marisha Clinton and Corey Nedeau attend an NHS meeting in the school cafeteria.

▲Lunch gives everyone a chance to socialize.

Let's Be Entertained

I really enjoyed the *Bridges* program and the Army band. I think they should both return next year.

Lorenzo Gaines

They're too short. I always feel like they're not finished yet, but then it's time to leave.

Jonathan Fuss

I think assembly seating should be on a first come, first serve basis . . . as long as the freshmen and juniors don't occupy the senior seats.

Thomas Ferguson

Over all, I feel our behavior in the assembly hall is rather good.

Bernitta Irving

I find assemblies boring, and there is no purpose for them.

Melissa Skala

I think we should have an assembly at least once a week.

Christina Robinson

Assemblies are a great excuse for getting out of class. But they do have their purpose, which could be to inform, to inspire or even to generate school spirit.

Commerce had its first rally of the year on October 30, complete with pom-poms and banners. Hurrays and hurrahs were heard throughout the building as the entire school cheered on the boys' baseball and soccer teams and our own Raiderettes. There was also a contest to determine who was the loudest of the three classes and, like a breeze, the seniors won.

A number of assemblies, many more than in past years, were staged this year. Before Christmas vacation, SADD featured reformed alcoholics who dramatically related their tragic stories to an attentive audience. There were others: a Peach Basket assembly to honor the creation of basketball at Springfield College; an assembly honoring high academic achievement and perfect attendance; *Bridges*, a multi-media presentation to help adolescents over the pitfalls of their age.

When each assembly is evaluated, there can be no denying that they are definitely not a waste of class time. They add to what Commerce already has, to produce an even more well-rounded student.

►Waiting patiently after our Peach Basket assembly for an autograph from Derek Brower, a Syracuse Orangemen, are Keisha Egerton and Bernitta Irving.

▼Rory Donahue listens intently at a SADD assembly on alcohol abuse.





◀Far left: The crowd of students lead by Miriam Irizarry are stirred by the Army Band.
▼Seniors enjoy the different musical numbers performed by the concert choir at the Christmas assembly.



▲An Army Band member enthralls Commerce's juniors and seniors.





▼After the seventh period bell, Jorge Rivera turns his radio on and tunes school out.



▲Even during a baseball game, Eddie Parsons has time for his music.
►Robert Houle is being "cool" with his radio.





Music! How it effects the human soul. Teenagers have their own special sounds, however.

"My radio. Believe me, I like it loud." That's the way many young people feel about their music. They prefer to "pump up the volume" because they find relaxation and stimulation through their music. They "can feel the beat" from "head to toe." Even if it's a "silent morning," a "thriller" of a night or just another "manic Monday," they can "let the music play" because it will "keep you hanging on."

If they're looking for a way to "escape" because of everyday frustrations, and they're at the "point of no return," they "got to fight for their right to party!" So whether it's rock, pop, soul or rap they're looking for, there is always a way to let music "tell it to your heart" and keep you going.

Even if they "heard it through the grapevine," or it was a "rumor," music is still the "greatest love of all." U2 will enjoy it!

▲A bevy of walkmans are sported by Fred Correa, Pablo Flores, Francisco Rivera, Peggy Liri and Kim Mathieu.

▼Deana Romasco practices her kind of music.

It's Like Music To My Ears

I feel that music should change with the times. It should show what is happening in the world.

Isaac Wilkerson

I feel today's music not only touches the young generation, but also the older generation.

Ann Santiago

Music today has advanced greatly from years ago, and it gives artists a better chance to express themselves in the way they feel is best.

Gwen Greene

I like music today because there are so many different types so that everyone can relate to it.

Charlotte Van Laarhoven

I think that music is a way to express yourself and your feelings. It unites the world in a special way because it is one of the world's only common forms of communication.

Dagmar Pfefferle

Magical Mystical Winter Wonder- land

Even though winter is cold and snowy, there's nothing like going out skating with your friends.

Carolyn Severino

You're never too old to go sledding.

Julie Dinnie

I like to stay home by the television and drink hot chocolate.

Melvin Rodriguez

Winter is the best when you stay in bed and listen to the school cancellations.

Elizabeth Santiago

Nothing can compare to going out in the cold with a snow brush in your hand to face a snow-covered car.

Barbara Czelusniak

Give me Hawaii, give me Miami . . . give me anyplace that doesn't have snow.

Evelyn Pollard

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The temperature is slowly dropping and signs of snow are in the air. Just by looking at the calendar, one can't help but notice that winter is here for the duration.

Winter can mean many different things to people. Some find winter to be too cold, snowy and unpredictable for their liking. A simple snow storm can ruin their plans and inconvenience them. There's nothing worse than having to go outside ten minutes earlier to clean the snow and ice off the car.

The other group of people are those who enjoy winter. To these people, taking advantage of winter and its accompanying characteristics can be fun and adventuresome. The first snowfall of winter can bring the childhood out in people. Going outside to build a snowman or just to go sledding are two ways to live it up in winter in the fluffy white snow. For the more daring people, why not hit the slopes and go skiing, or pull out that pair of skates from the closet and revive old techniques on the frozen pond.

No matter which category you fall under, just bundle up and make the most of winter, because soon the heat and fans will be on.

►Barbara Czelusniak, Alicia Cayode and Stacy Biodeau try their hand at tobogganing after a 6 inch snowfall.

▼Will the real Pernell Harris please step forward?





◀Cleaning off your car in winter can be a drag.

▼When Barbara Czelusniak and Carolyn Severino visit Blunt Park to try a little ice skating, everyone stays clear.



▲Chris Triba came prepared with scarf and boots.





▼**Stacy Bilodeau** is introduced to a motorcyclist after the Columbus Day Parade.



▲**For Julie Dinnie** and Tammy Clarke, weekends mean catching a movie.
►**Want to know** what's happening at the Bar Association juice bar? Ask Mike Trombly, Ann Santiago, Barry Greene and Jason Jarvis.





After a full week of hitting the books, almost everyone looks forward to the weekend. Friday night through Sunday are the days that come alive for every teenager.

Even if there is a special event like a birthday that usually occurs during the week, its celebration is often held off until the weekend when it may be savored without homework hassles.

Most students look forward to a weekend filled with movies, parties and juice bars. Francisco Rivera, for example, enjoys "going to parties on Friday and Saturday nights while leaving Sunday for time to relax on the couch watching football games." On the other hand, freshman Johnathan Blake prefers to "sleep late, watch T.V., go to the movies or just spend a day in the mall."

However anyone spends their weekend, whether it is spent working, catching some extra Z's, hanging out or partying, it is still a break from school. Enjoy it while you can, because before you know it, Monday will be staring you in the face.

◀ **Spring weekends** are the time for Jamal Rentas to rev up the Ninja and take a friend like Lisa Rosario for a ride.

▼ **Imagine having** a birthday on Christmas day? Carolyn Severino's friends -- Joanna Metcalf, Suzanne Severino, Julie Dinnie and Barbara Czelusniak -- help her celebrate.



Thank God For Fridays

I love the weekends because it's just a time to go home and be yourself.

Chris White

Parties, movies, girls, romance!

Vinnie Weldon

I work in the mornings and get out by 2:30, which leaves me time to go over to my friend's house.

Wayne McLean

I usually sleep, then wake up and sleep some more. Then it's night, and I go to sleep.

Rhonda Hall

My weekend is studying.

Zoraida Reyes

I look forward to weekends because I can relax, and I don't have to worry about anything.

Daniel Turgeon

I sleep late, then I spend all my money.

Irene Lytras

Things That Go Bump In The Night

Just because we're in high school, doesn't mean we can't have fun at Halloween.

Cynthia Guevin

Halloween is a way to get away from ourselves and pretend that we are still kids. It's fun and real cool.

Kimberly Hanks

I think everyone showed their school spirit on Halloween by dressing for this special occasion.

Susan Billings

I thought this past Halloween was a day that gave our students a chance to really express themselves. It was the one and only chance to dress against our so-called dress code and not get into trouble.

Bernitta Irving

For that one day, I could be anyone I wanted to be.

Tami Desrosiers

Halloween dress up day, an occasion that was begun last year, seems to be coming a tradition. For one day during the year, students and teachers alike try to outdo each other, proving that students are just as batty as their teachers.

Witches, cats, clowns and flashers were only a few of the many costumes streaking through the hallways on October 30. This year students showed more class spirit than last year. It was obvious from the time and effort put into their costumes and the energy put forth in their roll playing. They also respected the rules better this year by not wearing masks on their faces.

Teachers donned a variety of get ups to amuse the students. For example, Mr. O'Brien was unique in his homemade bull fighting costume, Mrs. Haley dressed as a stylish witch, Mr. Fiore was transformed into a sheik and Mr. Smist became a jailbird.

Many Students who did not dress, wished they had. But this day was also designated as Red Day, so that those who didn't wish to celebrate Halloween could, at least, show their school spirit by wearing red.

It looks like Commerce is in for a crazy day of dress up maddness for years to come.

►Lisa Richardson, Mechelle Griffith and Leon Spradley pose as a maid, an Indian maiden and . . . a Commerce student.

▼Graduation came eight months early for Donna Brown, Sharon Glynn and Taress Marshall.





▼Two freshmen, Lynn Przybyski and Anne LaPorte join in with the Halloween fun.



◀Far left: Is it Boy George? No, it's Commerce's own Diane Santaniello.
▲Jeff Remillard applies his costume before school as friends look on.



►Brushing teeth is just another morning ritual in Tami Desrosiers' agenda.

▼Michelle Petell and her two brothers always find time to eat a good breakfast in the morning.



▲Rick Jambora prepares himself for school. But he better hurry before he misses his bus.





You are groping for the alarm to turn off that loud buzzing noise so you can sleep until the last minute. Soon you realize that you have slept longer than usual, so that you must rush to get ready for a "wonderful" day at school.

It is a big effort to crawl out of bed and head for the bathroom to take your daily shower — one of the many morning hassles. The next thing you should do is eat a balanced meal for breakfast, but that extra time you took to sleep gives you little time for eating. Instead of whole wheat toast and Wheaties, you grab a Snickers, Doritos and Coke.

In addition, there's brushing the teeth and hair, ironing today's outfit, checking WTCC to see if school has been cancelled, preparing for the inclement weather and walking several blocks to catch the school bus.

Students can be very remarkable at times, especially when it comes to getting to school. There are those who religiously get to school on time. For those of you who are early, the hassle is waiting for your friends or homeroom teacher to finally arrive. Some of you don't ever make it on time because you are overcome by the urge to stop at Burger King and socialize. Others of you never make it to school at all. For these students, the morning hassles must be just too much to bear.

◀ **Tami Desrosiers** freshens up for a long day of tests and quizzes at school.

▼ **The finishing touch** before the day begins for Corey Nedea is putting in his contact lenses.



Morning Hassles And Habits

The worse mornings are when it's snowing, and I have to shovel.

Dagmar Pfefferle

Mornings are the last things I want to face.

Jonathan Fuss

If school would only begin one hour later, I'd be so happy.

A Teacher

There's nothing more annoying than hearing the alarm clock on a cold dreary morning.

Chris Susecki

In the morning, I have no energy.

Tracy Pieniak

Jumping into the shower in the morning wakes me right up.

Cindy Guevin

I love waking up in the spring with the birds singing. It makes me feel glad to be alive."

Denise Scott

Spending Money Till It Hurts

Early to bed, early to rise. Go shopping and get some good buys.

Mari Gonzalez

Shopping is boring because my girl-friend spends all my money.

Rick Jambora

On Saturday morning . . . I get the URGE to do some shopping . . . so I can SPLURGE.

Leon Davis

Shopping is a good way to meet guys.

A Senior

Shopping is about decision-making and comparing.

Betrick Wilson

Shopping is a way of life.

Nancy Martinez

Anyone for blue light specials? K-Mart here we come!

Shopping is enjoyed by most everyone today. Why even the guys are joining in with zeal in this age of materialism.

Looking for different styles and original items that no one has is really a challenge, especially when it comes to clothes. At the beginning of the school year, cropped tops were news, but they have since become as common as homework. Gold lamé and leopard skin have come and gone, and skirts have evolved from maxi to mini.

Tapes and records are a hot shopping item that cost from seven to ten dollars a wack. Popular this year were U2, INXS, Public enemy, Quiet Riot, Salt-n-Peppa, Whitesnake, Stryper, Keith Sweat and Aerosmith.

Malls seem to be the best place to shop. The Fairfield, Eastfield and Holyoke Malls are the most popular. And if a student is bored or has nothing better to do on Friday or Saturday night, the mall's the place to run into friends, partake of fast food delights and catch a movie.

Of course, shopping or just simply hanging around does add up financially. Twenty dollars for a sweater, \$2.50 for a slice of pizza and cola, and \$4.50 for a movie could leave one broke for the rest of the month.

►Is Frank Rivera talking to a real doll? Or is he just shopping for Christmas presents?

▼"There's no accounting for some designers' tastes," interjects Leon Davis on a shopping spree.





▼**A man of taste** and style, Charles Flores ponders which sweater to purchase.



◀**Far left:** Fred Douglas and Pedro Ragan discuss the pros and cons of the different types of running shoes.

▲**A pretty dress** for two pretty girls like Maria Restrepo and Maritza Osorio.



▲ Our lovely **Commerce** ladies always seem to be surrounded by a flock of handsome gentlemen.





PEOPLE

As students mature, they become aware of the unique light that shines within themselves and others. They begin to appreciate others for what they have to offer rather than focusing on what they don't have.

Standing out in a crowd is no trouble for Commerce students.



Lorenzo Gaines is one in a million with his winning smile and dapper looks.

Nancy Acconio
Ramon Aguaya
Lelis Aguayo
Laguada Alexander
Patricia Alexander
Alicia Alvarado



Luis Alvarado
Yolanda Alvarez
Diane Aponte
Mike Aponte
Jana Armstrong
Lina Baki



George Barber
Judith Bardwell
Tommy Barklow
Sigmund Barnes
JoAnn Bates
Ana Batista
Marisol Correa
Maria Corris



Anthony Batiste
Dino Bedinelli
Craig Bernard
Valerie Bess
James Billings
Michelle Bjorge
Luisa Costa
Gerald Cottle



Jonathan Blake
Eric Bowens
Kimberly Bowles
Lisa Brantley
James Brewer
Eugene Britton
Sonya Crapps
Aixa Cruz



William Broadway
Tiffany Brooks
Earl Brown
Corey Bullock
Marisol Burgos
Leander Byrd
Albert Cusson
Khoa Dang



Joseph Cabrera
Efrain Caceres
Mira Caderio
Maribel Camacho
Cecile Campbell
Tamari Campbell
Frances Daniel
Anthony Daniels



Maria Canini
Tinamarie Cangemi
Luz Cardona
Aimee Carlson
Patricia Carr
Darnell Carroll



Erica Carter
Diana Casillas
Ronald Cassesse
Danny Caulton
Charlene Charest
Elizabeth Chatter



Class of '90



Jennifer Christian
Shaun Cisero
Todd Claiborne
Eric Collins
Marc Collins
Ermeilinda Colon



Jose Colon
Marisol Colon
Juan Concepcion
Cynthia Cook
Marilyn Cook
Marlene Corales



Alma Diaz
Elizabeth Diaz
Neyda Diaz



Steven Diaz
Thien Dinh
Tram Dinh



Levonnie Dixon
Milene Dixon
Lynda Dones



Lori Donohue
Thomas Dubour
Roy Duclos



Denise Duke
Charisse Dukes
Barbara Dunlap



Michelle Duquette
Dwayne Dyer
Christine Dzwonkus



Stanley Early
Bakish Edwards
Daniel Edwards
Mayra Encarnacion
Miguel Estrella
Lasean Evans



Anita Feliciano
Doreen Felix
Elizabeth Felix
Cindy Figueroa
Luz Figueiroa
Stacy Finegan



Vincent Flowers
Tomeko Fountain
Edna Franco
Timothy Frasier
James Frogameni
Clery Galarza



Health

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new junior class, Health, has been mandated by the school committee to "broaden students' horizons."

There are two main things the Health teachers try to stress: (1) the ability to take care of oneself in all phases of life concerning attitude, body and mind, and (2) decision-making skills so that consequences may be considered.

Because of its useful and personal nature, Health has become one of Commerce's most popular classes.

▼ A healthy outlook on life shines all over freshman Robert Houle's face.





Marsha Gamble
Michael Gamble
Charles Garcia
Diana Garcia
Emilio Garcia
Hector Garcia



Jose Garcia
Mansol Garcia
Rebecca Garcia
Lisa Garner
Elton Gartman
Lisa Gassola



Kelly Gero
Lisa Giordano
Robert Glaze
Cathy Glynn
Elaine Glynn
Andre Goldson



John Golon
Margarita Gomez
Alice Gonzalez
Ana Gonzalez
Eli Gonzalez
Elias Gonzalez



Samuel Gonzalez
Wanda Gonzalez
Casonia Gore
Tanya Gore
Edith Graham
Tony Greenwald



Natisha Griffin
Roberta Griffin
Tammy Grimes
Anthony Gross
Paul Gryskowka
Amarilis Guerra



James Guess
Tiwana Gunter
Stephanie Guy
Tracy Guynup
Kenyette Hagans
Geegee Hall



Rahkia Hall
Reginald Hall
Brenden Hammerle
Dara Haqq
Mattea Haqq
Terron Harden



Thomas Harley
Albert Harris
Pernell Harris
Jessica Hart
Lisa Harvey
Tony Hawk

No Bones About It

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very freshman must start his stay at Commerce with a required biology course . . . for many, a major hurdle in passing to their junior year.

All business students take a year of general biology, which gives them a basic understanding of the most simple to the most complicated biological systems.

Those students following the college preparatory curriculum must

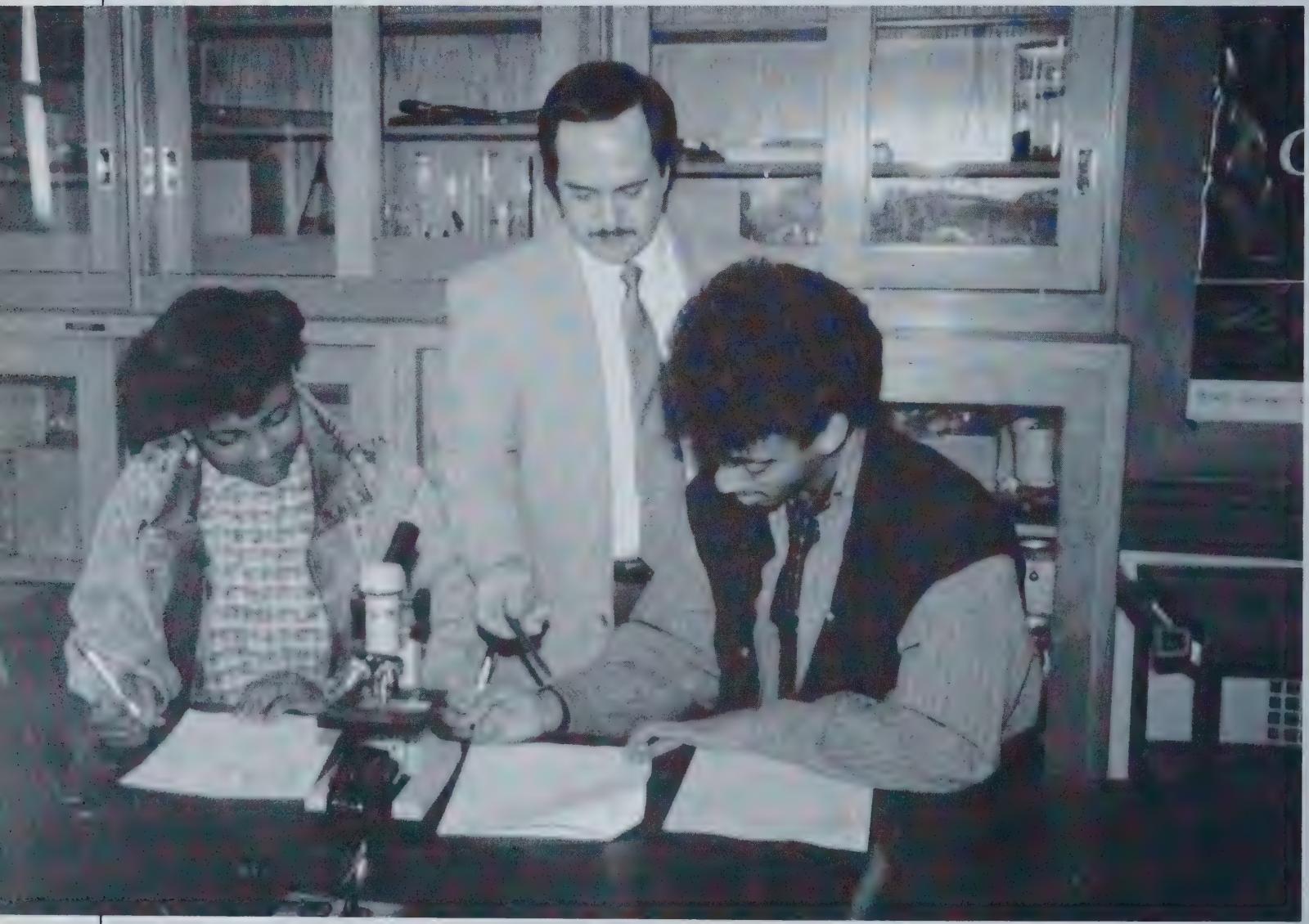
take a slightly more advanced biology, plus one year of either physics or chemistry.

Learning about diseases is a favorite among students, especially with the emergence of AIDS. Christina Robinson concurs, "Even though I have trouble with the difficult vocabulary because many of the technical terms are derived from Latin, I found the study of viruses especially interesting. I can relate it to my own life because I'm always catching something, especially during the winter months."



► Students enjoy learning about the functions of their own bodies.

Observing a drop of blood under a microscope are Rona Hockett, Mr. Mylonakis and Ernesto Lopez.





Roderique Heartly
Todd Heath
Dawn Hebert
Deshauanna Henderson
Timothy Henderson
Tamara Henson

Jeffrey Herbele
Michael Higgins
Aristeede Hill
Asilia Hill
Belinda Hill
Carsandra Hill

Nicole Hill
Lanette Hoadley
Rona Hockett
Gassetta Holmes
Shenita Holmes
Tyrone Hooks

Carolyn Horne
Tal Hosey
Robert Houle
Carl Howard
Sh' Kena Howard
Nigel Howell

Kimberly Huntoon
Kathleen Ince
April Jackson
Douglas Jackson
Keisha Jackson
Leronnia Jackson

Michael Jacobs
Scott Jambora
Michelle Jarvis
Carleen Jaworski
Sharon Jenkins
Christopher Jessup

Nusean Jessup
James Jiles
Marcus Jiles
Carlos Jimenez
Damon Johnson
Katrice Johnson

Sharon Johnson
Shaunda Johnson
Sonya Johnson
Alton Jones
Laurie Jones
Maurice Jones

Linda Jordan
Patrick Jordan
Joanne Kwasniak
Nathan Kelly
Scott Kidder

Inez King
Stacey King
Joanne Kwasniak
Mark La Flame
Catherine Lantz
Anne LaPorte



Holly LaPorte
Karen Laroche
Fernando LaSanta
Kim Lavallee
Michele LaValley
Dawn Lavoie



Mark Lane
Viet Le
Mark Leak
Cheryl Lee
Marvin Lewis
Sylvester Lewis



Anthony Liberty
Jeremy Limoges
Howie Livingston
Ramona Lockett
Michael Longtin
Ernesto Lopez



Joana Lopez
Mayra Lopez
Eric Lucas
Daisy Lugo
Elizabeth Lumpkin
Michelle Lynch



Candice Lyons
Tami Lyons
Le Quyen Mach
Guon Thai Mach
Jasmin Machicote
William Maki



Twana Malone
James Mannino
Andrew Manzi
Twana Markham
Robert Marrero
Erin Martin



Noemi Martin
Ana Martinez
Glori Martinez
Lisette Martinez
Wilfredo Martinez
Juan Marty



Heather Masters
Elizabeth Matos
Eugene Matos
Nicole Matthews
Tracy Matthews
Kerry-Ann Mayer





Tara McCarthy
Stephanie McCray
Kimberly McDonald
Angela McIver
Carl McKenzie
David McNabb



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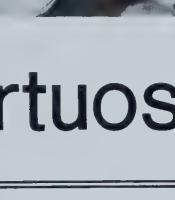
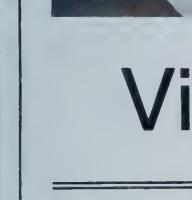
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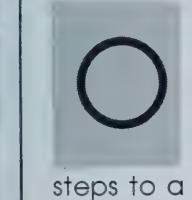
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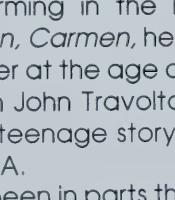
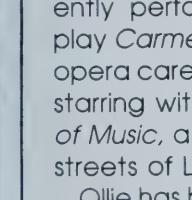
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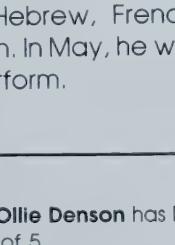
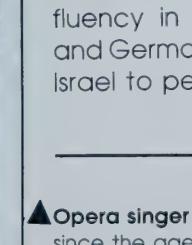
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Quan Nguyen



Trung Nguyen
Javier Nieves
Yung No



Nicole Nolin
Julie Normand
Chad Norrington



Adriana Nunez
Noah O'Brien
Tanya O'Neill



Virtuoso

Ollie Denson certainly steps to a different drummer. Presently performing in the Broadway play *Carmen, Carmen*, he began his opera career at the age of 11 years starring with John Travolta in *Sound of Music*, a teenage story set in the streets of L.A.

Ollie has been in parts that require fluency in Hebrew, French, Italian, and German. In May, he will travel to Israel to perform.

▲Opera singer Ollie Denson has been singing since the age of 5.

Sonia Orellana
Angel Orellana
Nancy Orlitz
Alexis Ostalarza
Yolanda Otero
Jeannette Oyola



Time On Our Hands

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ick-tock, tick-tock . . . it's almost time for school to let out, and everyone's staring at their Swatches and Gucci's, or any other bright-colored, round-faced watch that might be strapped on their wrists.

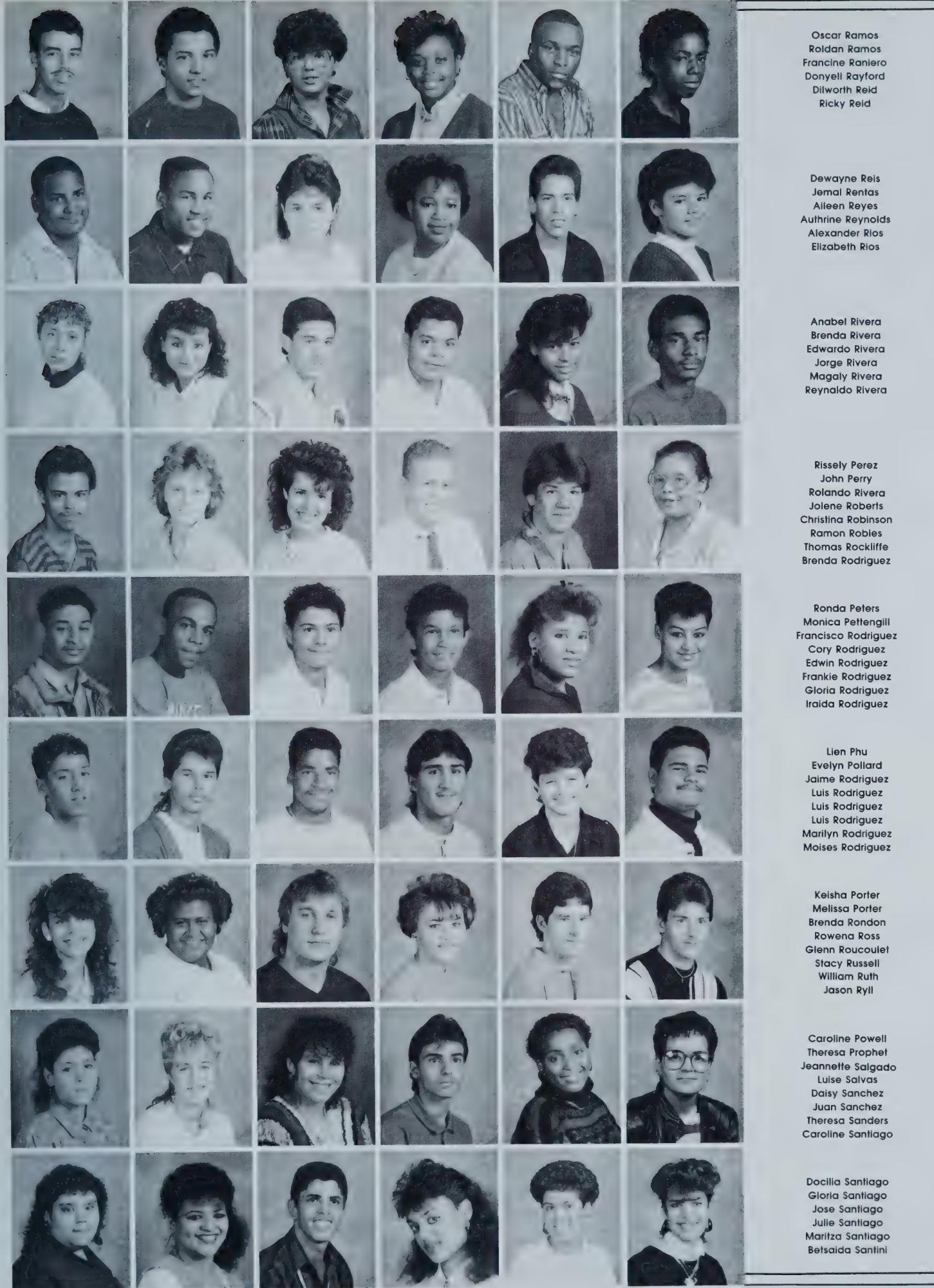
Only time will tell how long this watch fad will last. Until then, we'll be seeing a lot more of those designer watches from Guess to Coca-Cola and everything in between . . . watches that have an alarm, a calculator or even a miniature video game. They all look good in the variety of fashion color and prints available.

Patterned faces, twin faces, moon watches, digitals . . . all types of watches are fashionable today.



Lori Prindle
Lynn Przybylski
Stefon Quates
Herminia Quiles
Carlos Quinones
Melissa Ramos





Oscar Ramos
Roldan Ramos
Francine Raniero
Donyell Rayford
Dilworth Reid
Ricky Reid

Dewayne Reis
Jemal Rentas
Aileen Reyes
Authrine Reynolds
Alexander Rios
Elizabeth Rios

Anabel Rivera
Brenda Rivera
Edwardo Rivera
Jorge Rivera
Magaly Rivera
Reynaldo Rivera

Rissely Perez
John Perry
Rolando Rivera
Jolene Roberts
Christina Robinson
Ramon Robles
Thomas Rockliffe
Brenda Rodriguez

Ronda Peters
Monica Pettengill
Francisco Rodriguez
Cory Rodriguez
Edwin Rodriguez
Frankie Rodriguez
Gloria Rodriguez
Iraida Rodriguez

Lien Phu
Evelyn Pollard
Jaime Rodriguez
Luis Rodriguez
Luis Rodriguez
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Marilyn Rodriguez
Moises Rodriguez

Keisha Porter
Melissa Porter
Brenda Rondon
Rowena Ross
Glenn Roucoulet
Stacy Russell
William Ruth
Jason Ryll

Caroline Powell
Theresa Prophet
Jeanette Salgado
Luise Salvias
Daisy Sanchez
Juan Sanchez
Theresa Sanders
Caroline Santiago

Docilia Santiago
Gloria Santiago
Jose Santiago
Julie Santiago
Maritza Santiago
Betsaida Santini

Jennifer Sauer
Ann Scott
Antonio Scott
Christy Scott
Denise Scott
Seang Sea



Alexander Seal
Richard Sepulveda
Jose Serrano
Miriam Sirrano
Sonia Sherfield
Ricky Shink



Edrian Singleton
Darin Siriphantong
Malissa Small
Kimberly Smith
Merinda Smith
Sharon Smith



Eva Sobczyk
Tina Soderstrom
Nicole Sotropoulos
Edwin Soto
Lexica Soto
Paphoutha Soundara



John Steiner
Rhonda Stoddard
Tod Swank
Steven Szklarz
Twania Talley
Jameasa Taylor



Laurisa Terrell
Alexys Toledo
Ada Torres
Daniel Torres
Johnny Torres
Madeline Torres



Maria Torres
Miguel Torres
Rosa Torres
Yanira Torres
Marinelly Trujillo
Mary Valentin



Reinaldo Valentine
Mary Vargas
Trina Vaughn
Carmen Velazquez
Eliezer Vazquez
Jacqueline Vazquez



Sandra Vazquez
Alexander Vega
Madeline Velez
Aurora Vicente
Carmen Vicente
Takisha Vickers





Opening Doors



In the evening of November 16, the High School of Commerce opened its doors to parents so that they might meet teachers and become familiar with the curriculum.

Open House was previously held during the day until four years ago. Parents came into school as they wished, but Mr. Basili felt more could be accomplished with the new system.

This year, Open House was a little more successful and intriguing for the parents. The Jobs For Baystate Grads held their induction ceremony, and the gospel choir performed in front of over 450 parents.

Mr. Basili addressed the curiosity of the parents by stating, "There shouldn't be one student ill-equipped for the business world or college after three years at Commerce." He continued by pointing out the eight computer rooms and the excellent music department of which Commerce is so proud.

▲ Leon Spradley and relatives talk with Mr. Serafino about job opportunities at Commerce's Open House.

◀ Accompanying freshman Stacy Russell to the November Open House is her father.



Marie Volsine
James Waldon
Lynese Walker
Todd Walker
Scott Wallace
Lisa Warren



Taylor Warren
Tanya Washington
Sherri Webb
Jerome Westbrook
Felicia Wheeler
Charlene Whyte



Michelle Williams
Rodney Williams
Shauna Williams
Catrina Willis
Colette Wilson
Detrick Wilson



Novlette Wilson
Shawn Wise
Theresa Wood
Juan Woodbury
Antonio Wray
Andrew Wright



Duane Wright
Erica Wright
Ronald Wright
Donnette Xymnies
Ivette Zapata



Adjusting

The freshman class proved to be a dynamic class after a period of adjustment this past fall. School attendance and participation in extracurricular activities were at an all time high.

A number of class projects were attempted and proved successful. Class elections were held in the late fall, and Carl Muldrow was voted president; several freshmen members were nominated to positions on our Student Council. Fund-raisers enabled the class to store away money for next year's junior prom.

►With thoughts of great times dancing in their heads, Sharon Jenkins, James Jiles and Elaine Glynn discuss the upcoming weekend.





▼Below: Preparing to give their election speeches are candidates for the freshmen election of class officers. Overseen by Miss Gallo are Marcus Jiles, Ricky Reid, Carl Muldrow, David McNabb and Anthony Grosso.

◀Anita Feliciano and her classmates wait in the auditorium to have their yearbook pictures taken.

▼A "Welcome Freshmen" banner, a gift from the class of '82, is draped across the facade of Commerce on the first day of school.



The Junior League

Juniors had the opportunity this year to turn a good report card and good attendance into a summer job. On September 10, juniors were informed about a unique program called Project SCOOP developed by Miss DiSanti, Mrs. Hatchett and Miss Hogan.

Students will be offered jobs in businesses around the city of Springfield if they comply with the stan-

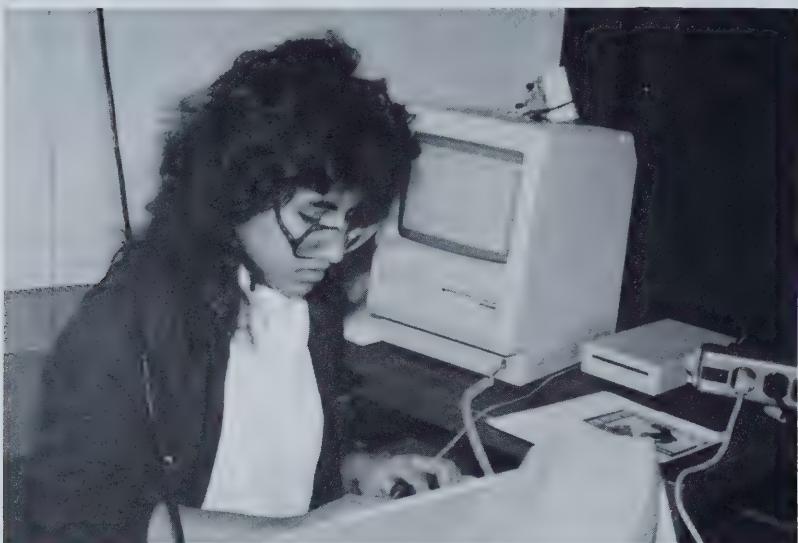
dards set by the school — 90% attendance and a C average at the end of the school year.

This program received ten thousand dollars from the state.

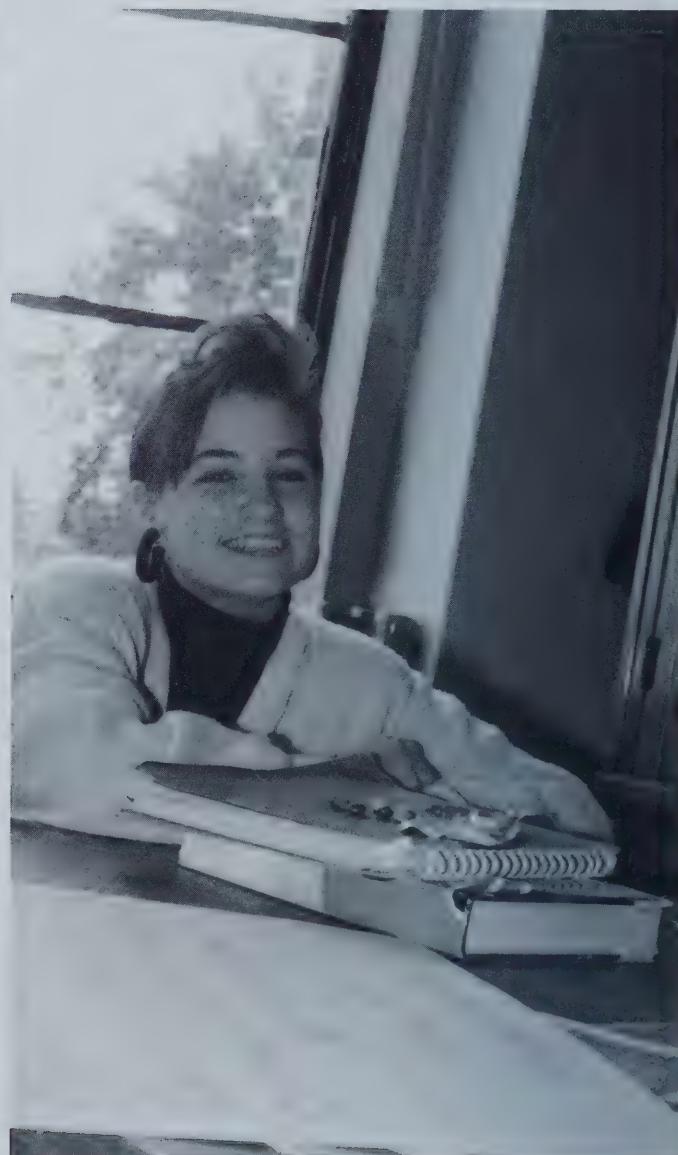
When asked why she came up with the idea of Project SCOOP, Miss DiSanti replied, "Commerce students are capable of working, and they deserve a shot in the business world. I hope and know that because we are sending out our students, it will be a great success."

►Straight from the Roaring 20's, it's junior Maria Restrepo.

▼Junior Rebecca Colon prides herself in her straight A average.

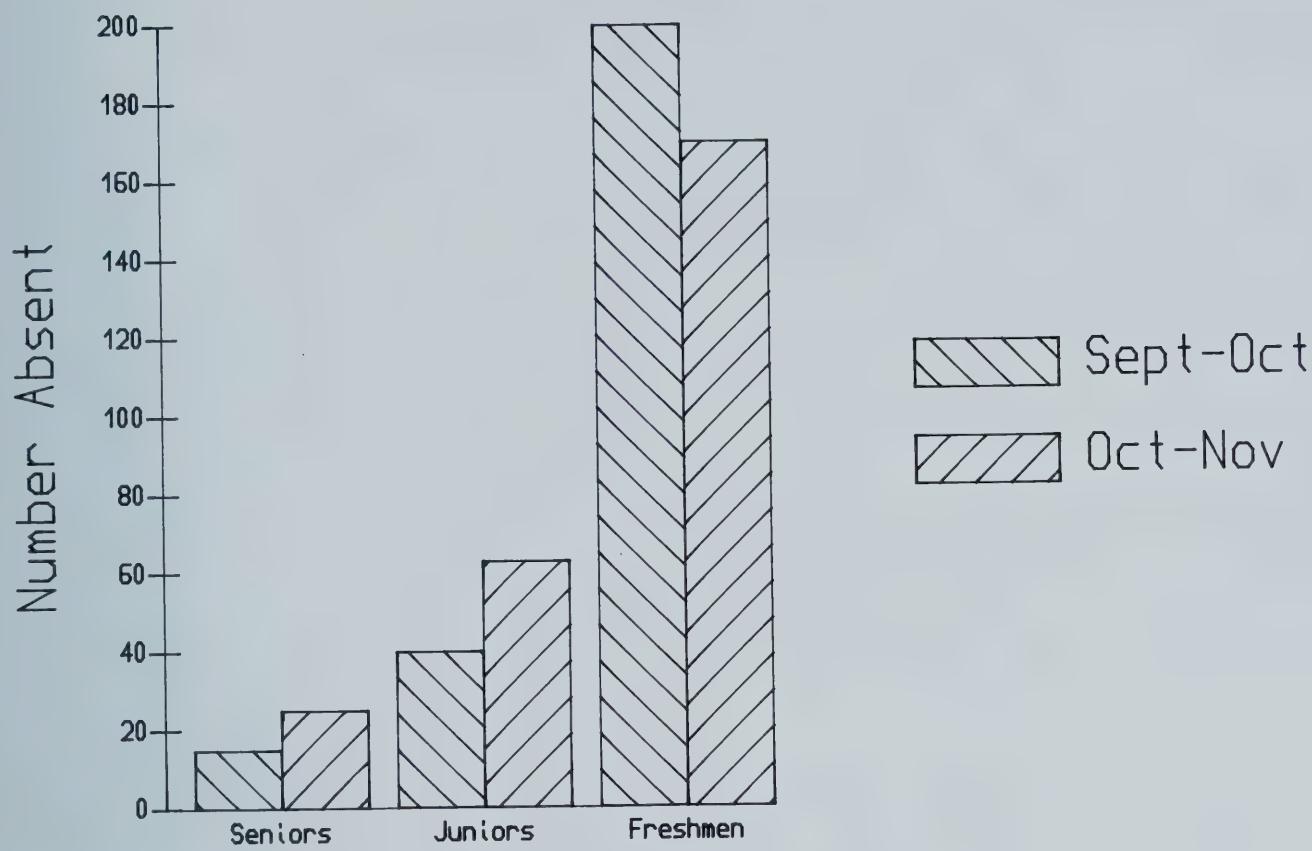


►The smile of a soon-to-be senior is from Rori Donahue.



Class of '89

STUDENT ABSENTEEISM



▲The junior class this year has 377 members and is averaging just about 55 absences each day. This is a big improvement over last year.

◀A group of handsome Commerce students enjoy their lunch: Dana Jones, James Guess, John Perry and Khalid Ibrahim.

John Ackourey
Paula Afonso
Regina Allen
Marianne Alvarado
Tina Anastasovites
Chris Andrews



Francisco Arocho
Luis Arroyo
Angela Baillargeon
Mwapek Bakil
David Bamber
Sonya Barber



Randolph Barden
Christy Bates
David Bennefield
Pamela Bennett
Raymond Betterson
Tina Boily



Cassandra Bolston
Angelique Borges
Joe Boudreau
Glen Bouffard
Kevin Branch
Yvette Brantley



Aurelia Branche
Jason Brown
Stephen Brown
Paula Bushey
Christopher Butler
Leonides Cabrera



Matilda Calderon
Seleida Candelaria
Annette Caraballo
Jeffrey Carlo
Beatriz Carrasquilla
Julie Caudle



Charlene Clark
Crystal Clark
Virginia Clarke
Nora Claudio
Audrey Cole
Glorivee Colon



Rebecca Colon
Sonia Colon
Candy Connors
Scott Cornelio
Freddy Correa
Jose Cortes



Rosa Cortes
James Costa
Lourdes Cotto
Erin Coughlin
Brenda Couture
Theodius Crapps





Hearts Of Gold



The Christmas Season tends to bring out the best in people, and our Commerce students are no exception.

Informal groups and clubs came together to create over 5,040 Christmas tree ornaments which were then donated to the Milton Bradley Giving Tree on December 11, so that an equal number of games and toys might be given to the homeless and needy. Activities were coordinated by Miss Gallo and her Student Council and Key Club

members.

Christmas activities for Student Council members also included visits and gifts to the elderly at Maple Hill Nursing Home. They were treated to fruit baskets, cake and a medley of Christmas tunes from six choir members. Twenty-two boxes of canned goods and clothing were also collected and offered to the Salvation Army and homeless.

In addition, \$100 of fundraising monies from Commerce was presented to Mayor Neal for the Forest Park Kiddyland Zoo, while an equal amount was given to the Washington Street Homeless Shelter.

- ▲ Julie Dinnie, Ellen Kirby, Kathy Walsh and Hamilton Ramos try on reindeer ornaments before hanging them on the tree.
◀ Preparing to hang the 2000 link chain on the Giving Tree are Miss Murphy, Superintendent of Schools Mr. Thomas Donahoe, Principal Gene Basili and Student Council advisor Miss Gallo.



Bloodmobile

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estless and nervous on the morning of October 15, students walked by the school auditorium watching Bloodmobile aides prepare the equipment necessary to complete their tasks for the day.

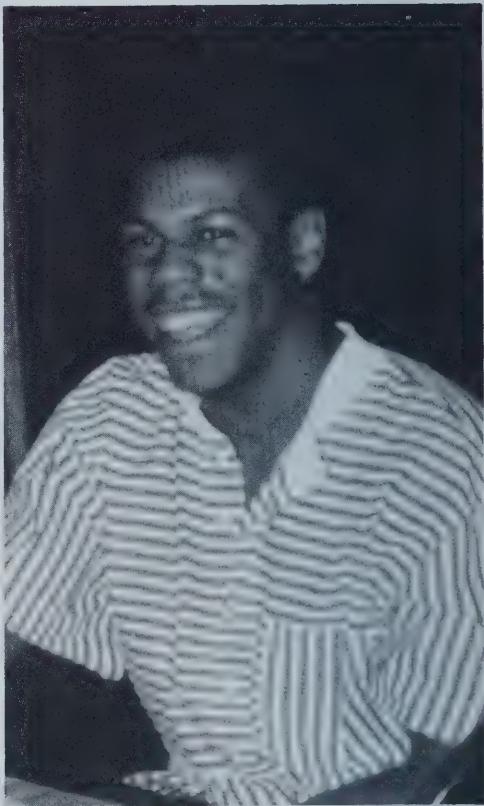
Of the 109 student volunteers, only 69 actually donated. Some were absent, but others, especially ladies, were found to have a low iron

count. Many showed signs of cold or flu.

Many felt a little weak after but that was to be expected. Students were given apple and orange juice and crackers to help replenish their systems. They were assured that the dizziness would pass and that their pint of blood would be replaced within 72 hours.

Although students were nervous and jittery, they all felt good contributing to the betterment of society.

- ▲ Rhonda Hall and a Bloodmobile aide help ease donor Zuleika Brown's nerves.
► Anthony Milsap is given a blood test to determine if he could be a possible donor.





Keisha Cruz
Jorge Cumba
Arraud Darc
Tyrone Dawkins
Teresa De Feo
Francisco De Jesus



Jacqueline Delgado
Annette Dennis
Brett DeVree
Anthony Dickerson
Carmen Dinguis
Layanya Dixon



Rory Donahue
Gary Dzworkus
Dexter Edwards
Oliver Edwards
Nora Emmens
Steven Engel



Darlene Erndt
Cameron Ervin
Marcy Fellion
Deborah Felton
Marisol Figueroa
Charles Flores



Westley Ford
James Foy
Andy Fuentes
Dean Fugate
Stacy Gagnon
James Gamache



Edwardo Garcia
Jose Garcia
Victor Garcia
Laura Gardner
Roderick Gibson
Lisa Gilbert



Joseph Gomila
Frank Gonzalez
Maribel Gonzalez
Robert Gordon
Stuart Gordon
Michael Grant



Karen Gravelin
Michelle Guay
Brent Hamilton
Heidi Hanke
Rosevelt Harden
William Harrison



Mia Hassell
Darcle Hayes
Gregory Henry
Felicia Higgins
Christopher Hitas
Tracy Holve

Maleia Housey
Belinda Huntley
Lan Huynh
Khalid Ibrahim
Timothy Jackson
Melanie Jackson



Chad Jacobs
Wileen Jamison
Ray Jenkins
Wade Johnston
Ethel Jones
Stephen Kacoyannakis



Ellen Kirby
James Knight
Robert Laflamme
Samuel Lajara
Darlene Lanier
John Lanou



Lynn Libby
Richard Linton
Bridgett Lockett
Regina Lockett
Yvonne Lomax
Jennifer Long



Denise Lopez
Glorienid Lopez
Priscilla Lopez
Zakiyyan Lubieddin
Wayne Maczka
Cornelius Maddox



Lynne Maillet
Laura Mann
Peter Mantzoros
Marcy Martin
Carmen Mason
Wanda Massot



Jeanine McCollum
Tawanda McCollum
Darren McCollum
Edes McCray
Kerry McDevitt
Nancy McDonald



Sharon McDonald
Althea McKenzie
Jesse McKnight
Wayne McLean
Victoria McMillian
Michelle McNamara



Ronn Meak
Ivelisse Merced
Corey Miles
Sadie Mills
Craig Misco
Angel Monserrate



PSAT's

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sat's, a junior's greatest fear . . . Preparation is often tiring for this four period-long test. Many teachers, especially English teachers, join in to help these concerned students in their struggle by giving extracurricular work as a weapon against the "Big Bad Question Monster."

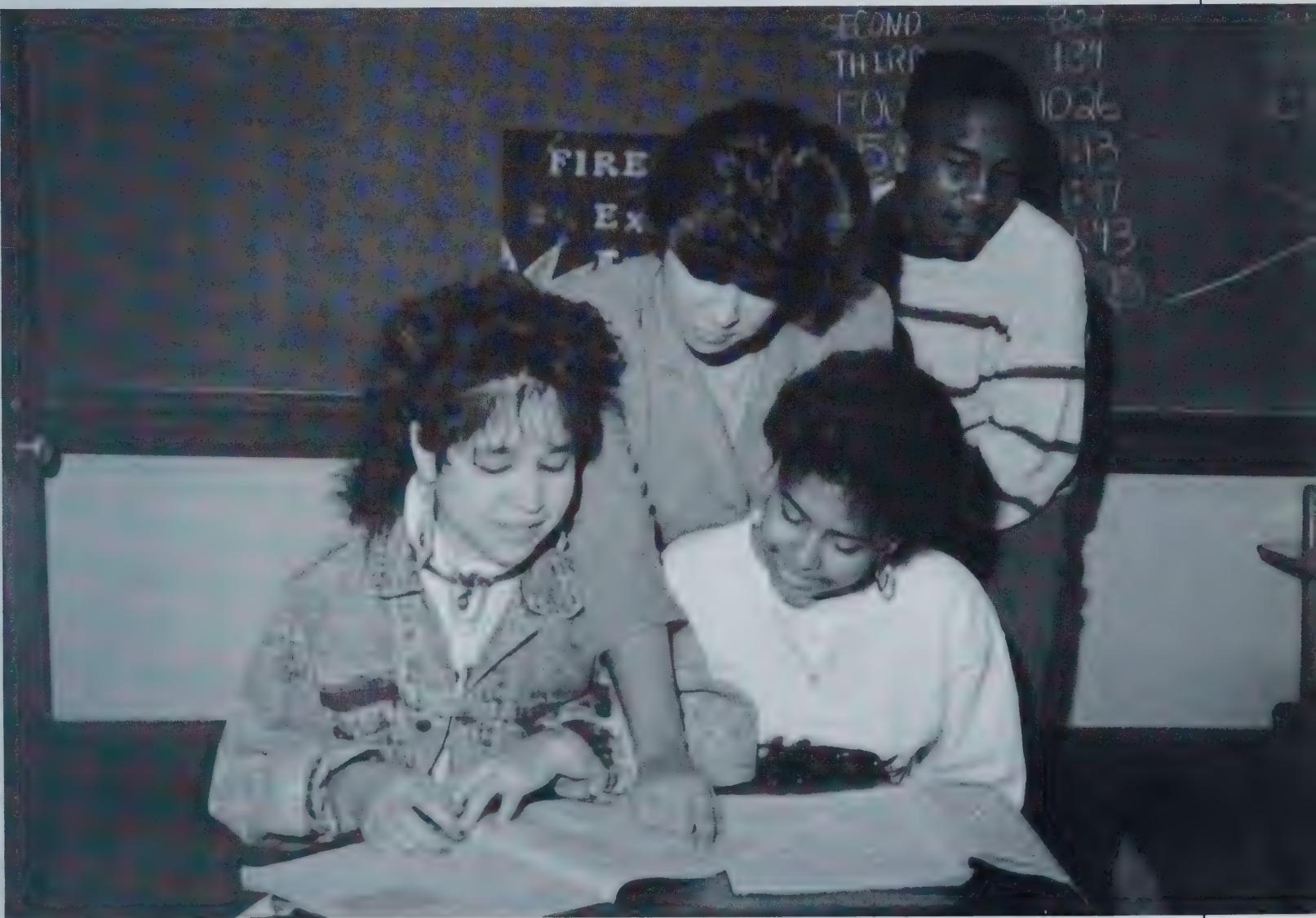
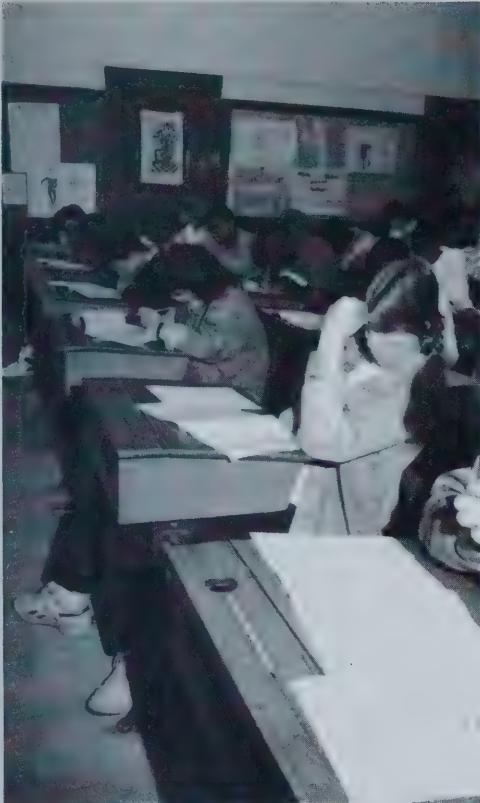
On the morning of October 21, room 122 became filled with 73 ner-

vous, whispering students. Mr. Serafino explained the directions as the whispering quieted down to a low murmur, and then the "moment of truth" came to pass.

After hours of mind boggling, brain straining question answering, the distracting game of bubbling in the circle with the right answer came to an end. All of the now unsteady students went back to their classes worrying about their test scores.

By the end of period 6, everything simmered down, and the real spirit of Commerce returned.

◀ In room 122, college bound juniors wade through question after question during the PSAT.
▼ Miss Gallo goes over sample PSAT questions with Maria Restrepo, Maritza Osorio and Jenal Rentas right before the test is to begin.





Want A Candy Bar?

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hat can a club or activity do without at least one fund-raiser each year? There are scholarships to be given out at the end of the year, field trips to be taken, uniforms to be updated and T-shirts to be printed.

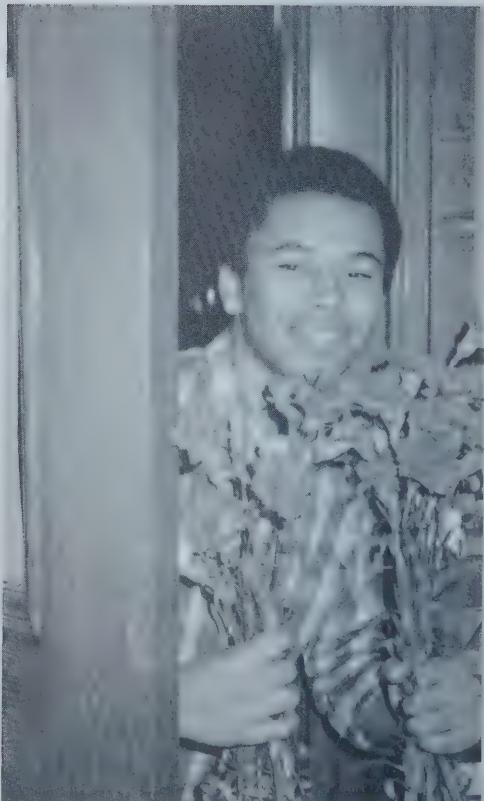
This year there were candy bar drives for both the yearbook and newspaper staffs, so that they could increase their size. The National Hon-

or Society also sold their share of chocolate to fund their lofty activities and raise scholarship money.

The Student Council took another route and raised funds with a calendar and pom-pom sale in October. They followed through in December with a big push on bears, buttons and keychains.

The class of '88 also sold carnations on Red Day, while Jobs for Bayside Grads kept busy throughout the year with the sale of posters, carnations and keychains to help out with senior activities.

▲**Swapping candy bars** to help each other out are Tracy Swift, Kathy Walsh and Guen Gesin.
►**Hamilton Ramos** pops in to each homeroom in hopes of selling red carnations for the Student Council.





Josue Montalbam
Tanya Moore
Joanne Morales
Jose Morales
Janet Morris
Aaron Morrison



Sophia Mottley
Craig Murdock
Madelyn Nazario
Angela Negron
Shawn Newell
Jill Newman



Brenda Nichols
Cassandra Nichols
Ericka Nichols
Joann Nunez
Heriberto Nieves
Tracy O'Banner



Dwayne Oliver
Daniel O'Neil
Jose Ortiz
Maria Ortiz
Maribel Ortiz
Maritza Osorio



Maria Pagan
Timothy Pasterczyk
Jabbar Payton
Andrew Pearson
Krista Pepper
Wanda Perez



Lanary Pertillar
Lisa Petell
Debbie Peterson
Bridget Pickering
Theresa Plourde
Linda Preston



Cynthia Prophet
Melissa Prophet
Teresa Quiles
Anabal Quinones
Emilio Quinones
Maribel Quinones



Ingrid Quintero
Sandra Ramirez
Amelia Ramos
Hamilton Ramos
Luz Ramos
Willy Ramos



Racine Ramsey
Diana Rand
Dwayne Reid
Jeff Remillard
Maria Restrepo
Diana Reyes

Gail Reyes
Luz Rios
Abigail Rivera
Carmen Rivera
Francisco Rivera
Juan Rivera



Madeline Rivera
Melvin Rivera
Rachel Rivera
Sonia Rivera
Elizabeth Rodriguez
Josie Rodriguez



Nelly Rodriguez
Orlando Rodriguez
Heather Rogers
Deana Romasco
Lourdes Rosado
Peter Rosario



Rosita Rosario
Troy Ross
Robin Rossini
Janette Rubet
Stacy Saccamando
Julie Sanchez



Enrique Santiago
Jose Santiago
Diane Schofield
Arthur Scott
Fabian Scott
Zettie Scott



Maria Sepulveda
David Shainheit
James Shaver
Tracy Shea
Dennis Sheehan
Rena Sheffield



Melissa Skala
Gary Smith
Vanessa Smith
Yolanda Smith
Rachel Snare
Meredith Snead



Mare Sparks
Natalie Staley
Anthony Stewart
Michelle Sulewski
Lakeo Sundara
Sandra Sutton

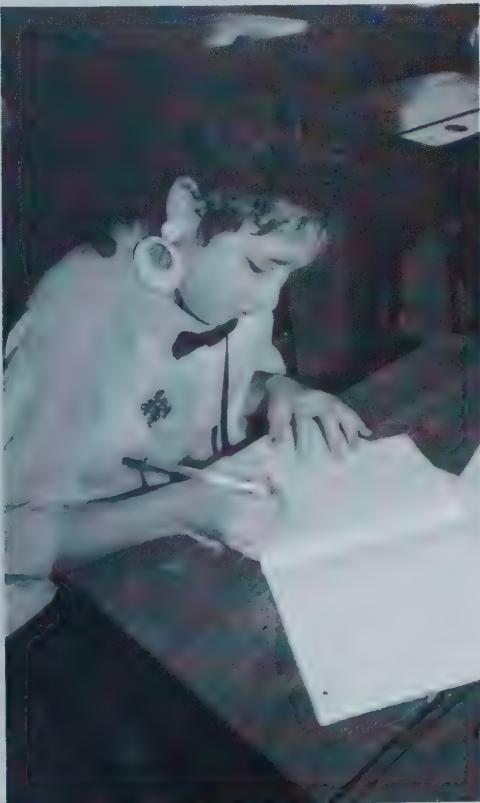


Tracy Swift
Lisa Tatro
Phung Thai
Michelle Theriaque
Katrina Thomas
Michelle Thomas





Write On!



One of the new classes offered this year was the Writing Lab. Offered only to college preparatory juniors, this was a half year course in conjunction with Data Processing 2.

Approximately 90 students were taught how to express themselves to the best of their ability with the help of their teachers, Mrs. Clarke and Ms. Hachadourian.

The first part of the semester dealt

with describing things in the subjective voice; the second half dealt with description in the objective voice. One interesting assignment was to describe in detail another student in the classroom. Once the composition was written and rewritten on a computer terminal, the piece was then read out loud so that students might guess the person being described.

When an assignment was near finalization, the students went to the computer room to print out their final draft for a more professional appearance.

▲ **The Writing Lab:** Jeff Remillard (seated far left), Dennis Sheehan, Dagmar Pfefferle, Ms. Hachadourian, Maritza Osorio and Landry Pertillar.

◀ **Maria Restrepo** works out the kinks in her essay before running off a final copy in the computer lab.

Thin Shells

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his past spring, we had approximately 125 students carrying "babies" around the school. Of course, they were not real babies. They were eggs distributed by Mrs. Malesta as a part of her family relations class.

Her students had to keep the "babies" with them at all times for one week. The "babies" were even given names by their parents and were treated like a newborn. If a parent

wanted to go out without her "baby," she would have to pay a "babysitter." That was the easiest part.

The hardest part was not dropping the "baby." If the "baby" died, the parent received an F for the assignment.

Even though many students may find that part of the course a bit of a drag, it does result in teaching them the amount of responsibility it takes to care for a baby and the amount of love and care that needs to be put into parenthood.

►Lisa Polite, Nancy Mc Donald, Raymond Betterson and Jamie Rodriguez stand in line to adopt a "baby."

▼All aboard for the baby egg convention.





Phuoc Tiet
Cindy Torrellas
Joselin Torres
Deliris Trabal
Susan Trahan
Du Tran

Christopher Triba
Ana Trujillo
Daniel Turgeon
Patricia Turner
Sandra Valles
Elizabeth Vargas

Daisy Velez
Denise Veratti
Steve Vick
Sharolyn Vickers
Elizabeth Vidal
Cathy Viens

Evelyn Villodas
Ula Wadlegger
Kathleen Walsh
Nicole Ward
Michael Warren
Taylor Warren

William Watkins
William Wessig
Crystal Westcott
Christopher White
Margaret White
Tonya White

Elizabeth Williams
Lenise Williams
Bryant Wiseman
Sabrina Witherspoon
Melinda Zimmerman





▲Top: Marjorie Kochanowicz's locker displays pictures that perk her up on a slow day.

▲Miriam Santiago stops at her locker between classes.

◀Juniors put on a smile during their end-of-the-day locker rush.

▼A peek at Angela Newell's locker gives us a clue to her personality.



Locker Flair



Every student at Commerce is required to have a locker. It comes in handy when you get tired of carrying around all your books at one time or your teacher demands, "Take your coat to your locker this instant."

And because it's so necessary to school life, the locker becomes an extension of one's personality with

each owner's personal touches.

Angela Newell concurs, "I like to decorate my locker because it reflects my personality. I have mirrors, stickers, stuffed animals and a Commerce pom-pom." Ann Marie Santiago, on the other hand, has pictures in her locker to cheer her up. "It's not dull this way," adds Mike Trombley. "That's why I decorate it."

Nobody likes to stare into a dull drab grey metal box at 7:30 in the morning.

▲A locker becomes an extended stationary pocketbook for Commerce ladies.

◀Bustling activity fills the air in locker rooms right before lunch.

I'm A Senior!

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The big moment that you've been waiting for ever since kindergarten has finally arrived. You're a high school SENIOR.

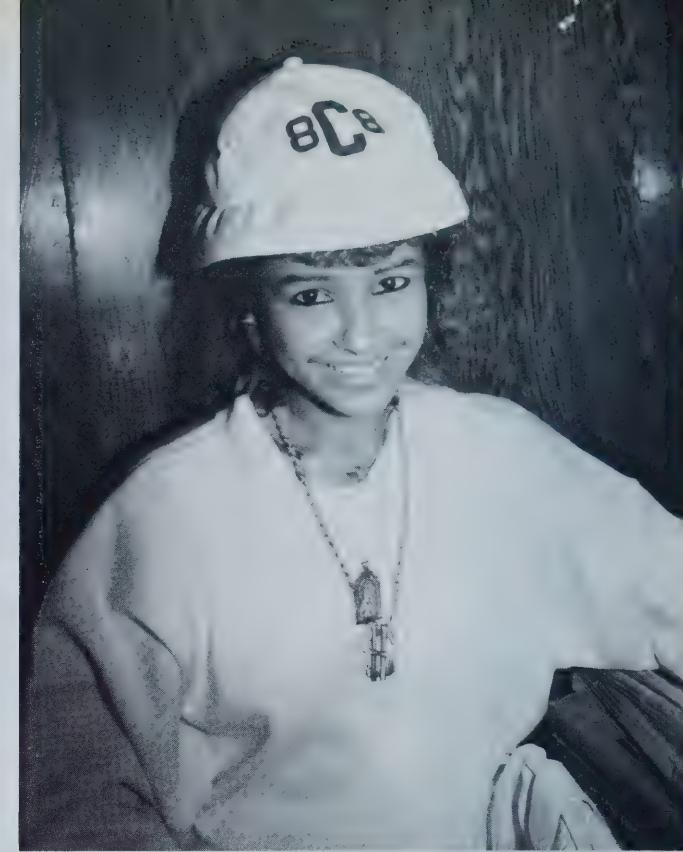
Being a senior means making your last year count because there will be no more high school days. It means wearing a senior hat with "Class of '88" written on it. It means sitting in the auditorium's center aisle and leaving early in May.

Well, now you're a senior, and besides having tons of fun

and doing endless homework, you find you also need a lot of money to survive.

When you consider senior dues of \$45.00, a class ring for \$200.00, prom tickets for \$30.00, \$200.00 for prom dress, tux and limosine, a senior hat for \$6.00, S.A.T.'s for \$12.00 and a couple of hundred more for those miscellaneous items and unplanned-for moments, it costs a senior a cool \$600.00 (not including car expenses) to exist.

Well, at least you're a senior — albeit a broke senior.



►Janice Calo dons a senior hat.



▲Senior Heather Croteau shows her senior status with Heather Masters.

►Glad high school is all behind them now are Yolanda Smith and Luz Rios.



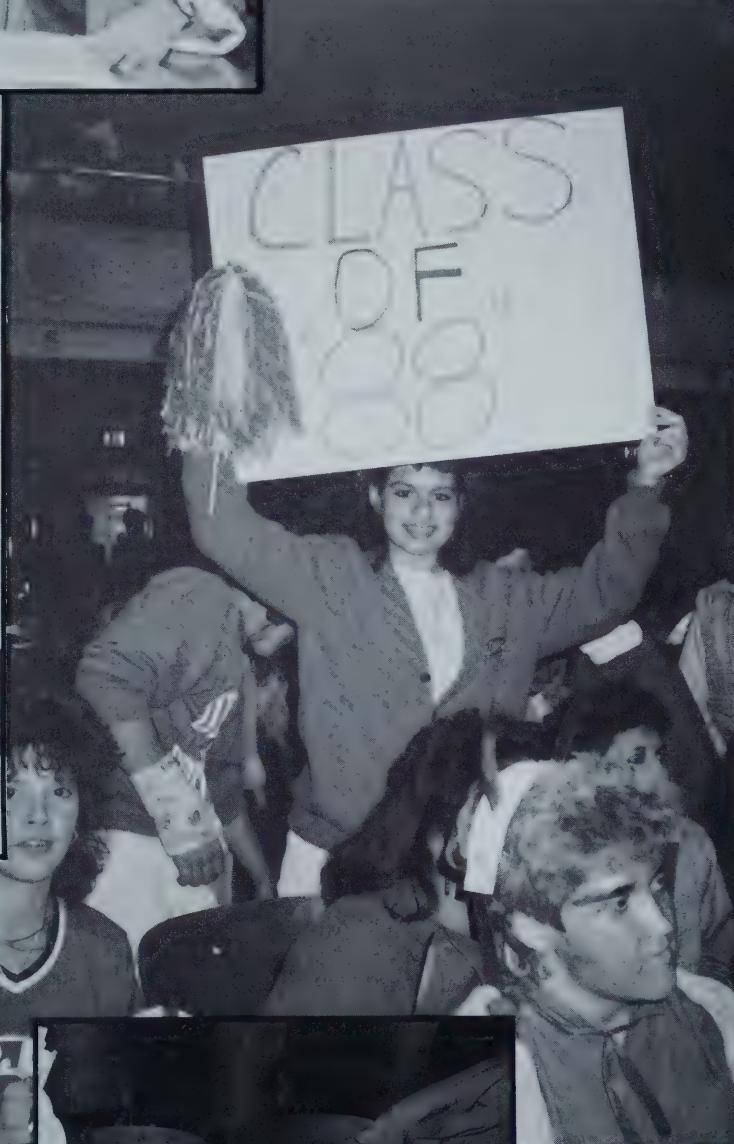
▼Ideliza Rivera and Maria Pagan.
▼Below: Charlott Van Laarhoven and Dagmar
Pfefferle.



Class of '88

Let's Celebrate!

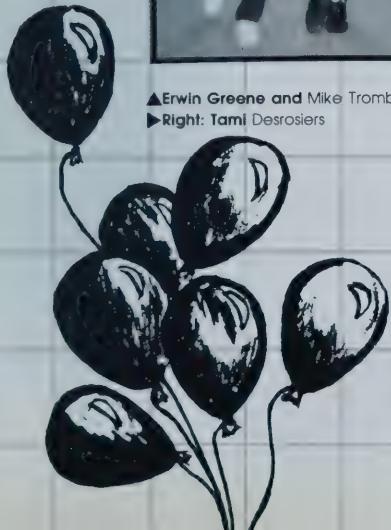
▼Karen Weiss and Carl McKenzie,
◀Left: Patricia Ortiz



▲Erwin Greene and Mike Trombley.
►Right: Tami Desrosiers

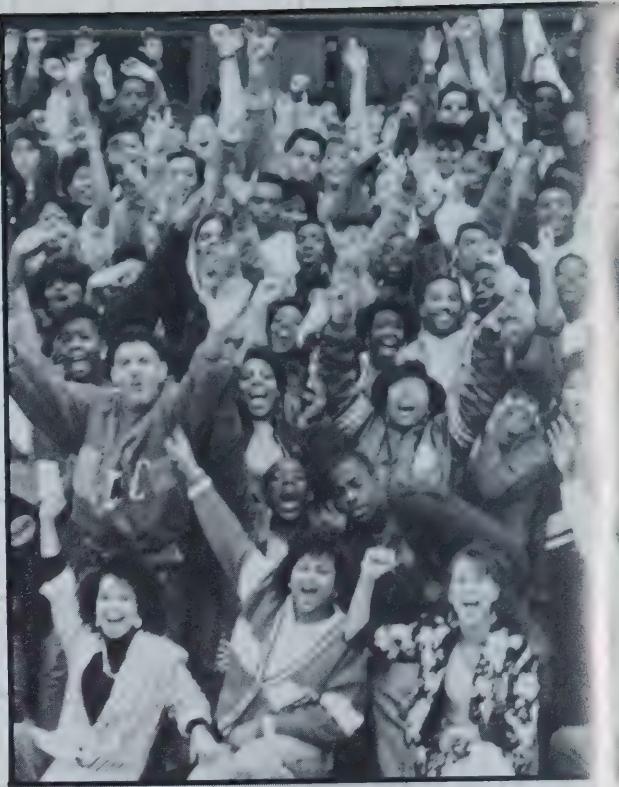


▲Luis, Lisa, Danny, Javier, Undralilia and Luz
▲Above: Barry Greene



Preparing For The World ...







◀Darryl King.



▲Lorraine and Elizabeth Rivera.
◀Debra Bryant; Eliezer Cortes; Marjorie Kochanowicz.



Successful!

▼Julia Dinnie stands out in a crowd of NHS students.

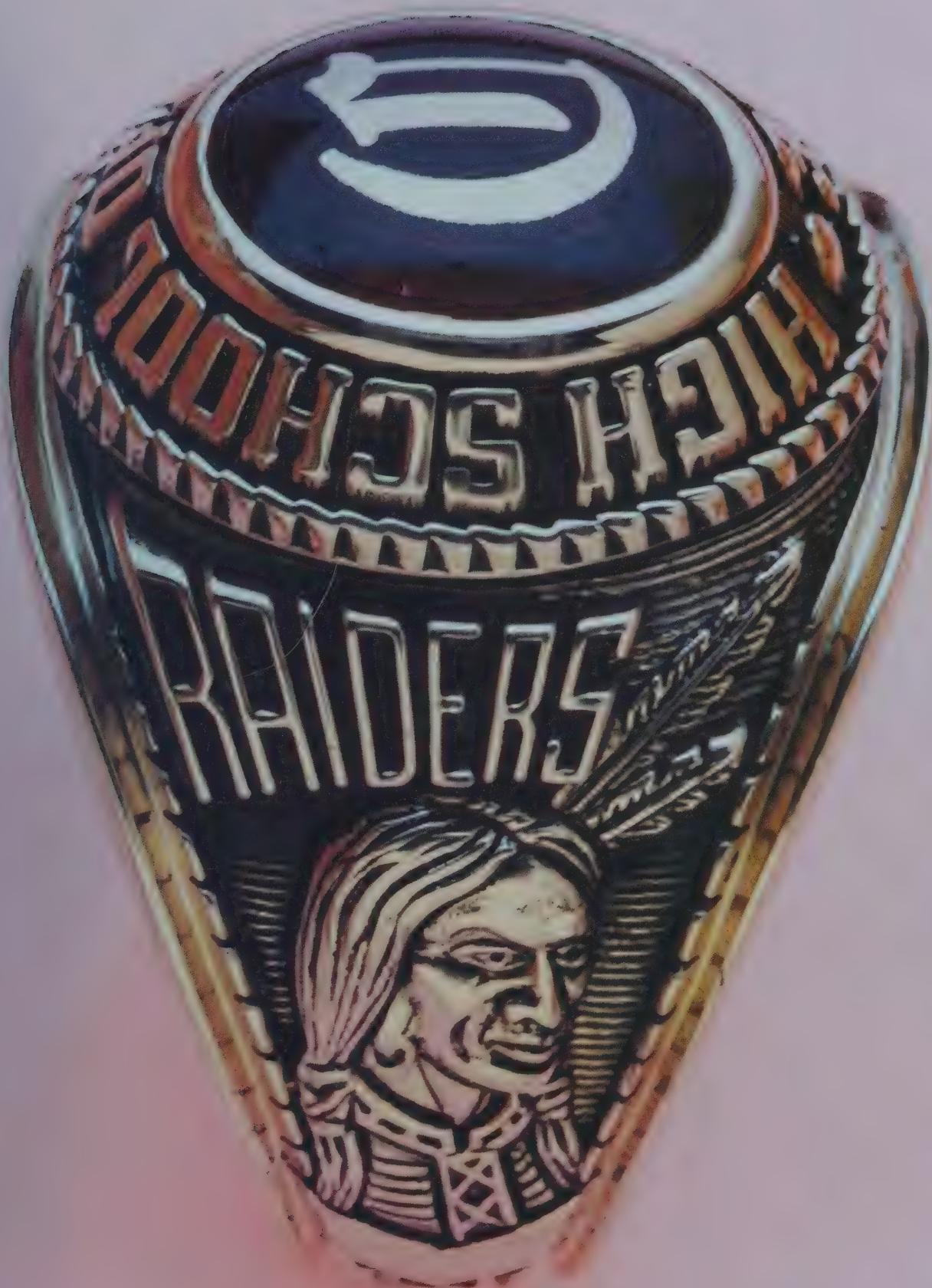
▼Kenneth Talbert.





▼Antoinette Becket, Jenal Rentas and Stephanie Guy.
Bottom: Edwin Zavala and friend.

▲Faces to remember: Lorraine, Anthony, Mary, Anibal, MaryAnn and Lisa.
▲Top: Maria Brown, Diane Johnson, Carla West and Monique Boyd.



**Angelita Acevedo
Ismael Acevedo
Regina Allen
Antwoine Anderson**



**Cynethia Anderson
Heather Archambault
Luis Arroyo
Angela Ash**



**Dolores Askew
Julie Auclair
Robin Bailey
Luigina Barbieri**



**Mary Kate Belniak
Susan Billings
Stacy Bilodeau
Jarrell Bledsoe**



**Monique Boyd
Angela Brown
Maria Brown
Zuleika Brown**



**Kim Bullock
Jesus Burgos
Raquel Cabrera
Emilia Capaccio**



Footlights

▼Cheryllann St. John, Lisa Ross and Robin Bailey peruse the lines they must memorize for homework.



Lights . . . camera . . . action! Mrs. Dunn's new drama class was busy this year honing the skills of acting, stage timing and presence, speaking in front of an audience, applying make-up and creating scenery.

Consisting of 19 juniors and seniors, the drama class produced three plays for the entire student body this year: the first, shown in November, was entitled *That Girl From Texas*. They also attended area performances to see how what they learned could be effectively put into practice.

Graded on knowing their assigned lines on time, on attendance, cooperation, their contribution to the class and the ul-

timate success of each play, these 19 students seem to look forward to meeting every seventh period. "I've learned about being criticized in a constructive way, and how to better speak and relate with others," volunteered Karen Weiss.

There is no denying that the skills developed through acting can be useful in life, even if you are never in a formal production. But for some students, acting becomes a way of life. Stated Lisa Ross, "I eventually want to become an actress. I feel this class is good experience for me."

Tryouts for this unique class are held every spring in the school auditorium.



▲A quick check of assigned parts before the curtain goes up: Julia Caudle, Lenise Williams, Heather Rogers, Corey Miles, Cheryllann St. John and Lynne Maillet.

Quetcy Capeles
Lisette Caro
Martha Castro
Alicia Cayode



Michele Chagnon
Patricia Chouinard
Cathy Christiansen
Ying Bun Chung



Misty Blues

The alarm goes off and you hear a strangely relaxing sound outside. You don't want to, but you do. It's the sound of the rain beating against your windows and slapping the pavement below. Unfortunately, you know what's in store for you for the rest of the day.

You walk into school with

sneakers soaked and your once perfect hair now down. You're not happy. Your friends are grouchy and your first period teacher is a bit snappy.

A million yawns and twenty hours later, school bag in one hand and umbrella in the other, you're walking down those great front steps of Commerce flashing a smile, taking a deep breath and thinking "just another school day."



Confusion reigns after school when students have to face the cold wet weather.



Ying Ha Chung
Elizabeth Cintron
Tammy Clarke
Marisha Clinton

Gloria Collazo
Maria Colon
Christopher Conant
Pamela Cook



▲Mary Luz Valentin and Ada Torres came prepared for a rainy ending to their school day.



**Barbara Cordero
Eliezer Cortes
Cheryl Crenshaw
Kieyan Crump**



**Anabela Cruz
Jeanette Cubera
Graciela Cumba
Barbara Czelusniak**



**Elaine Davey
Eric Davies
Tamiko Davis
Dolores Del Rio**



**Tami Desrosiers
Elizabeth Diaz
Josefina Diaz
Julie Dinnie**



**Dean Dubey
Jerry Eddington
Dexter Edwards
Keisha Egerton**



**Michele Epps
Julio Estrada
Melissa Federico
Thomas Ferguson**





Opening Doors

Commerce has opened its doors to a new Chinese I class taught by Mrs. Hwang. Funding for this addition to our curriculum comes from the Dodge Foundation Grant to teach Chinese.

According to assistant principal Miss Di Santi, a strong background in English is needed to be able to handle the unconventional Chinese grammar. Thus this class is open only

to college preparatory students. Next year Chinese II will also be offered.

As with all regular foreign language classes at our school, the four basic skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing are pursued in concert.

"We just don't learn about the language, though," stated Michele Stasiak. "We learn about the country and the culture of the Chinese people. Our teacher used to live there, and I can't wait to visit myself."

▲Members of the Chinese I class, front row: Dan Turgeon, Michele Stasiak, Miriam Irrizary, Susan Billings, Cindy Guevin, Milagros Morales and Kevin Pendleton; back row: Julia Caudle, Chris White, Michael Warren and Aurelia Branche.



►Charlot Van Laarhoven, Dagmar Pfefferle, Arnaud Darc, Elizabeth Chaplin (insert) and Charlot Honnefelder share their experiences with Commerce students.

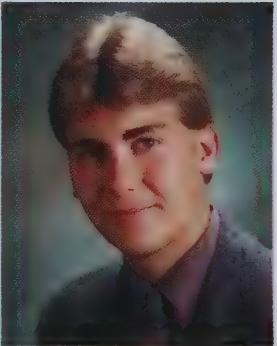
▼Charlot Van Laarhoven and Dagmar Pfefferle find America intriguing.



Veronica Fields
Gregory Fitzgerald
Pablo Flores
Reuben Foster



Stephanie Franklin
Jonathan Fuss
Rebecca Gagnon
Lorenzo Gaines



A New Home



It takes all kinds, and five exchange students from Europe prove it!

Charlot Van Laarhoven, 18, is an exchange student from Holland, while Arnaud Darc, 16, is from France. Nineteen year old Elizabeth Chaplin is from England, and both Dagmar Pfefferle and Charlot Honnfelder are from West Germany.

The three things they miss the most, however, are their fam-

ilies, friends and food. When asked about her new family, Dagmar replied, "My family here is closer, but I have more freedom in Germany, probably because I'm an only child."

Not to be outdone, Commerce also has a long list of students who have traveled extensively. Two examples are Edmund Janas and Sonia Schanck. During the summer of '87, Edmund attended art classes in Italy. Sonia spent her senior year in the Canary Islands.

▼Our international lineup: Elizabeth Chaplin, Arnaud Darc, Charlot Van Laarhoven, Dagmar Pfefferle and Edmund Janas.



Tammy Gallagher
Betty Gandy
Rebecca Garcia
Vionet Garcia



William Gaudette
Mayra Gerena
Gwendolyn Gesin
Sharon Glynn

▼Richard and Jennifer Sawicki, Samantha McCoy, Stacy Bilodeau, Cassandra Bolston and Aurelia Branche gather around Mayor Neal on the steps of city hall.



Always There

W henever there's a cry from the community or school system, our students make themselves available. Sometimes they even get the recognition they deserve.

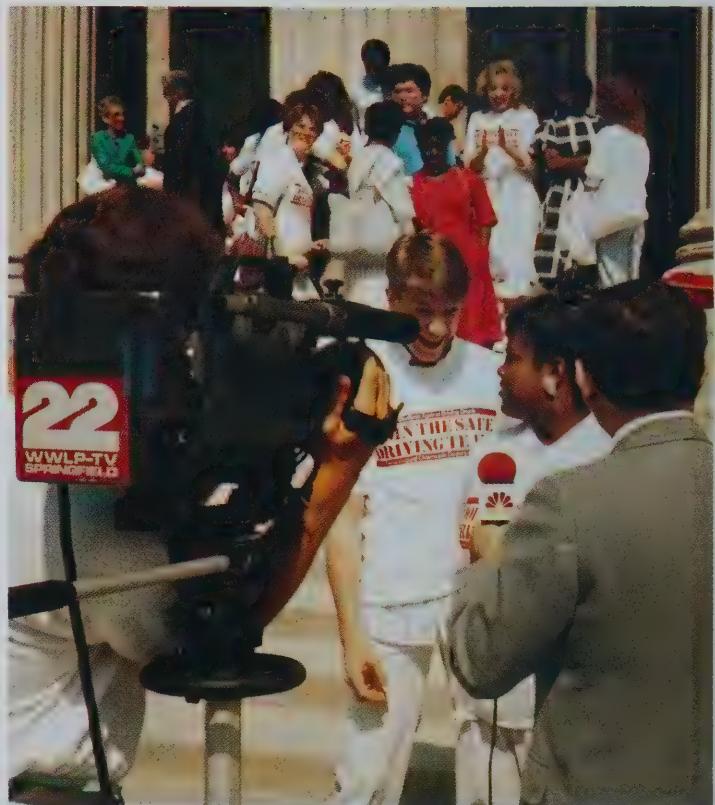
When the Milton Bradley Giving Tree needed ornaments, several of our clubs heard the call and answered with handmade decorations. They have participated in canned goods collections for Thanksgiving and Christmas, in Springfield's drive to clean up litter from public areas, in Channel 57's auction and in the nationwide drive to stop drinking and driving.

This past summer, recognition was given to ten Com-

merce students along with ten Cathedral students who attended an informal gathering of concerned individuals for alcohol abuse on the steps of city hall. Mayor Neal was on hand to greet the students, inspire them and answer questions.

Also in attendance was Mr. Anastes, president and founder of Students Against Driving Drunk. After declaring that "he was not a stranger to the warmhearted people of Springfield because he had attended AIC after high school," he appealed to our students to "do the best they can to stamp out drinking and driving."

May the giving spirit permeate all students.



▲Richard Sawicki and Cassandra Bolston air their views of drinking and driving on TV.



Carmen Gonzalez
Diane Gonzalez
Barry Greene
Erwin Greene



Rhonda Griffin
Mechelle Griffith
Cynthia Guevin
Amaris Guzman



Rhonda Hall
Calvin Hamrick
Kimberly Hanks
Brenda Hebert



Azanda Howard
Tammy Howe
Bernitta Irving
Hopeland Jackson



Yvette Jackson
Richard Jambora
Sydonnie James
Edmund Janas



Joy Jasmin
Diana Johnson
Melanie Joyner
Gina Jubrey

Patricia Kenny
Carlene Kilbride
Darryl King
Marjorie Kochanowicz



Charlotte Van Laarhoven
Annette Lague
Eileen Laureano
Amanda Lessard



Actual Springfield policemen check the pulse of Commerce's "accident victim."





Clara Lewis
Eveon Lewis
Janice Lewis
Yvette Lewis

Jametrious Liddell
Ponayota Liritzis
Jaime Lopez
Juan Lugo



The Last Prom

A very realistic dramatization was performed in front of Commerce on April 28, 1987, at 9:45 a.m. Upon suddenly being instructed to leave classes and report to the outside front of the building, students and faculty discovered a car smashed up against a pole with four familiar students inside.

The "accident," staged spe-

cifically for Prom Week, was made to look as real as possible including the timing of the police, fire department and ambulance. A guest speaker, Dr. Conway, reinforced the importance of not drinking and driving after the ambulance had left with its "victims."

A videotape was also made, so that it may be shown around prom time and holidays.

▲Robin Bailey feigns shock during a mock accident. ◀Miss Di Santi, Mr. Basili and a crowd of interested students look on as firemen work to save an "injured peer."

Where Do They Go?

Have you ever wondered where Commerce graduates go after they part company? Well, Mr. Serafino, senior guidance counselor, has kept track over the years.

The largest percentage of recent graduates, approximately 33%, successfully sought out full time employment, while nearly 12% contented themselves with part time work. Out of 285 students last year, 20 of them are now office clerks, 14 work in factories, 13 work with food service, 11 are sales clerks, 10 are

cashiers, 5 are bank tellers, 5 are secretaries, 4 are computer operators and 10 have unclassified jobs.

Of those attending 4 year colleges, UMass is the most attended by our alumni, with Westfield State in second place and AIC right behind at #3.

When tallying 2 year college students, Mr. Serafino found that Holyoke Community was second only to the widely attended STCC. "It is the community colleges that are most popular with Commerce students," stated Mr. Serafino, "and most major in accounting or business administration."

 4 YEAR

 2 YEAR

 FULL TIME

 PART TIME

 UNEMPLOYED

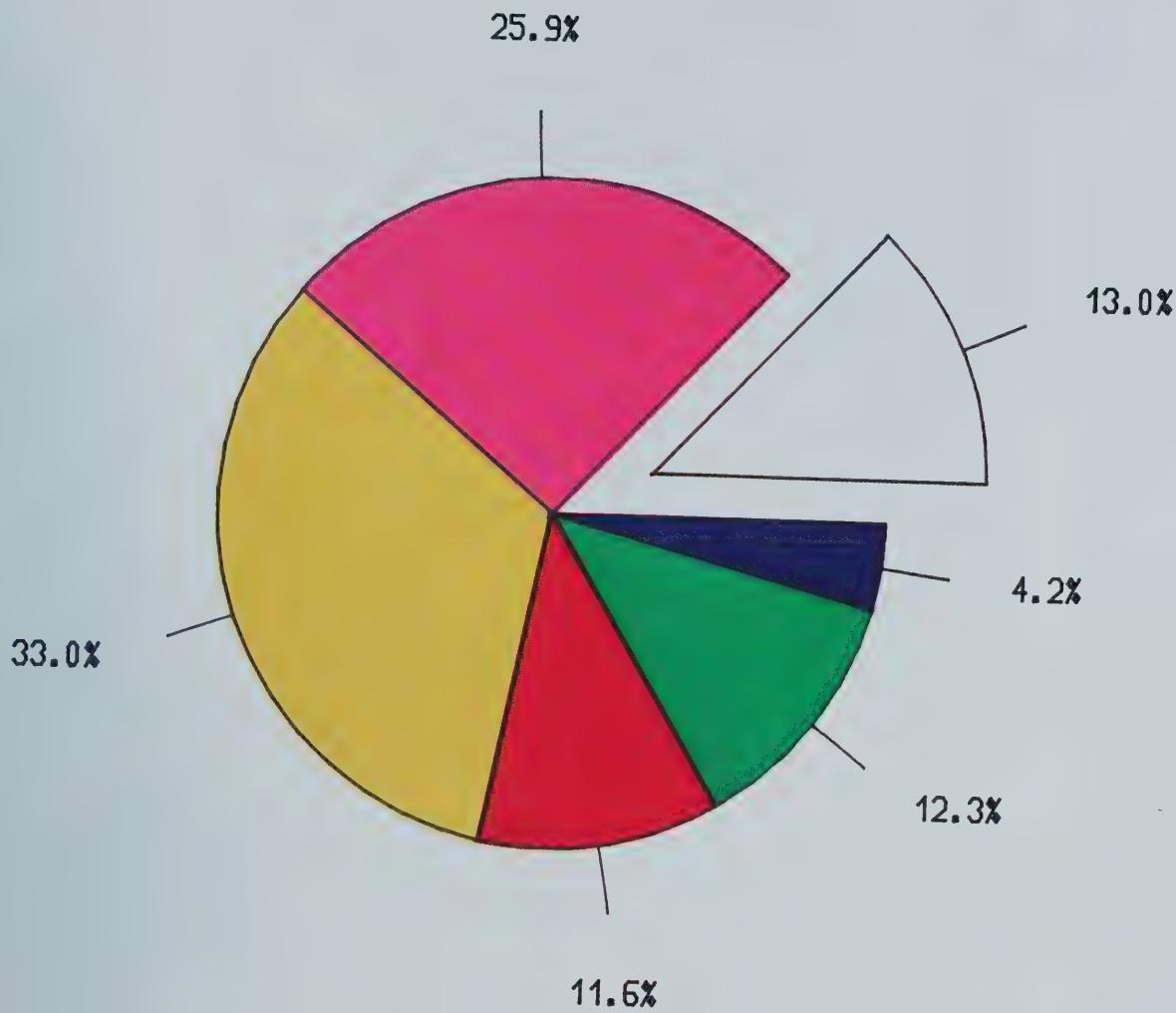
 MILITARY



▲Antoinette Becket, Donna Brown and Ingrid Small contemplate taking the SAT.

►Thoughts of going to college encourage Kerry Mayer to study.





▲John Thomas knows that grades must be kept up in order for graduation to occur.

◀A look at a plastic model of the human anatomy helps Robin Bailey and Ivette Lewis to understand what their teacher has told them.

Irene Lytras
Wayne Maczka
Janice Maldonado
Daisy Marquez



Migdalia Marrero
Cassandra Marsh
Nancy Martinez
Kimberly Mathieu



Gwendolyn Mathis
Travis McDowell
Georgette McKenzi
Anthony McTizic



Alan McTizic
Efrain Medina
Dorothy Mercure
Joanne Metcalf



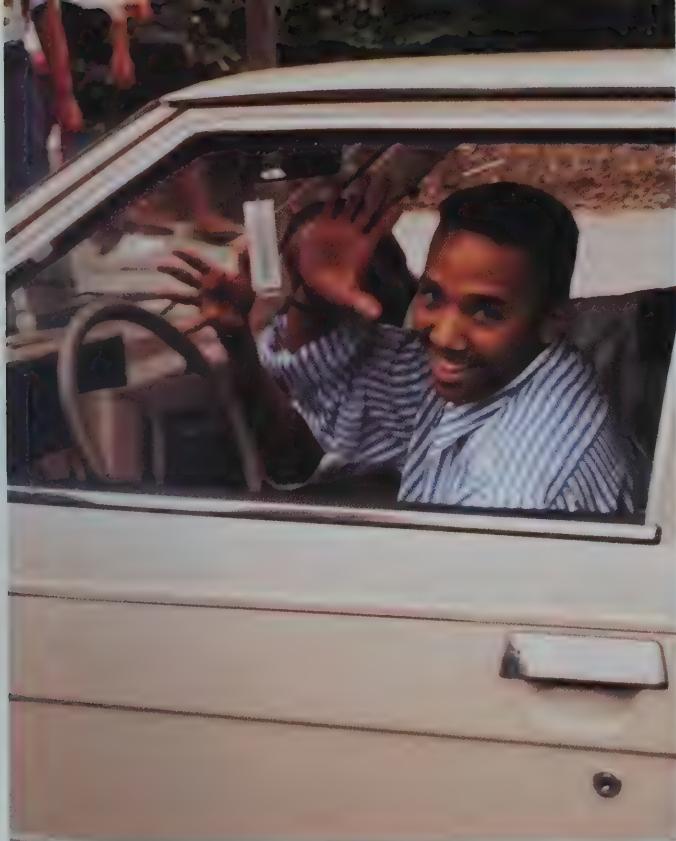
Dale Moore
Theresa Moore
Angel Morales
Troy Morris



Stephen Motyka
Christina Mucha
Vivian Murphy
Ross Murray



On The Run



When considering transportation, the end does justify the means. It doesn't matter HOW you get to school . . . just be there on time!

Approximately 80% of the students at Commerce take a regular school or PVTA bus.

Those who walk to school find that lugging those books around and traveling in two feet of snow is no way to have fun, although some consider it

excellent exercise. If there is no other way of getting to school, walking it is!

There are a few students who like to bring their own transportation to school. For most seniors, cars happen to be it. In addition, a line of family cars can be seen dropping underclassmen off, especially during inclement weather. Others who refuse to let summer end or wish spring would begin prematurely, prefer to ride their bicycles, scooters and motorbikes.

◀Eric Davies and Leon Spradley wave good-bye after a hard day at school.

▼Combining exercise and transportation, James Costa and Andy Fuentes can often be seen riding their bikes to school.



▲Jason Allen has his own unique mode of transportation.



Cinderella



Often, what you hope is the **most** important night of your life, prom night, may turn out to be a disaster.

Everything seems to be perfect, but what if . . . your boyfriend breaks up with you right before the prom, or . . . your hair won't do anything and you end up looking like Cinderella before the transformation?

Even worse, what if you end up going with someone you hate, or . . . you get stood up, or . . . your dress rips suddenly? Maybe the car your boyfriend rented is a total piece of junk. What then?

So many things can go wrong on prom night because expectations and anxieties run high. But those disastrous moments are the memories that will evoke tears of laughter years later.

▼Alison Webb and Barry Greene find their prom night is perfect.



Corey Nedea
Mitzie Negron
Jill Newman
Chin Chu No



Diane Ortiz
Patricia Ortiz
Maritza Ostolaza
Angela Pafumi





◀Patricia Kenny applies the finishing touch before Prince Charming arrives.

▼Dreams of a wonderful evening dance in Grace Cumba's head as she prepares for her prom.



Maria Pagan
Ronald Pebley
Kevin Pendleton
Maritza Perez



Michelle Petell
Dagmar Pfefferle
Pamela Philipoff
Cassandra Phillips

▼Barbara Czelusniak and Melissa Federico peruse a menu at the "Taste of Springfield."



Extroverted

The summer is over and school has started. It's back to being awakened early in the morning by the sound of that alarm clock.

Just about everyone is disappointed that summer has ended, but the start of school also means that soon the Big E will arrive, and Commerce people will be sure to reap the educational and pleasurable benefits of the largest fair in New England.

It means a day of walking around at the fair, eating just about every possible food under the sun from tempura to stuffed potatoes, riding on all the rides from the Zipper to

the Parachute, winning prizes and walking around the state buildings to collect samples.

If students don't get to munch on all the food they want, there's always the "Taste of Springfield," held within a blocked off section of downtown Springfield, at the end of the school year. This is a perfect place to run into Commerce students savoring samples of food from area restaurants.

Whether it's the Fourth of July celebration or the New Year's fireworks display, there's no doubt that Commerce students enjoy attending big fairs and participating in Springfield events.



▲Fred Douglas and Maribel Ortiz enjoy a bit of chocolate ice cream at a downtown Springfield event.



Tracy Pieniak
Stephen Pulchlopek
Linda Razick
Lizette Reyes



Alethea Reynolds
Lisa Richardson
Damaris Rivera
Elizabeth Rivera



Ideliza Rivera
Javier Rivera
Luz Rivera
Robin Rivera



Luis Robles
Glorimar Rodriguez
Melvin Rodriguez
Noemi Rosario



Nydia Rosario
James Rosemond
Lisa Ross
Marquise Rowtham



Daniel Salgado
Diane Santaniello
Ann Marie Santiago
Elizabeth Santiago

Miriam Santiago
Bobbi Jo Santos
Sonia Schanck
Carolyn Severino



Nyra Shider
Ingrid Small
Gregory Smith
Yolanda Smith



▲Aixa Cruz practices various types of lettering.





Rachel Snare
Leon Spradley
Cheryllann St. John
Michele Stasiak

Anthony Stewart
Christine Sacheck
Sherry Sutton
Karen Swords



The Gifted

What class teaches the basics of graphics, display design and layout, calligraphy, printing and batik? You're correct if you guess Mrs. Shumann's Art 3 class.

This year this enjoyable yet exacting class was composed of 14 students who had to vow they were really willing to take

art seriously before they were accepted by Mrs. Shumann.

One of their many endeavors was a dream-like painting in watercolor. "Each student had to keep a three week dream log," explained Mrs. Shumann, "in order to help gather materials for their composition."

Other projects included clay construction, murals, cartooning, silk screen printing and a portfolio preparation.

▲ Edmund Janas sketches a school doorway as a study in architecture

◀ Patience is exercised by Stuart Gordon as he translates his allusive dream log into visual expression.



Field Trips

It's those extra things a teacher does that are appreciated and remembered for years. And ranking high of the list of "extra things" are field trips.

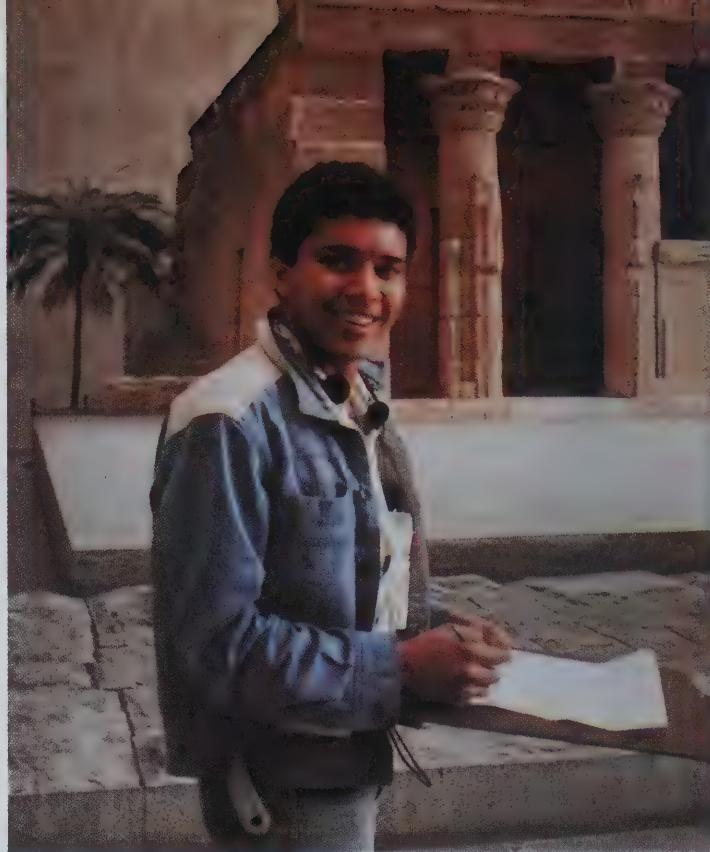
Commerce is fortunate to have StageWest, the Springfield Municipal Auditorium, the Civic Center and the Quadrangle all within a short walk, and caring teachers make class enrichment very possi-

ble.

Take, for example, the art trip to the Metropolitan Museum of New York City. "The money for the trip was granted by the state of Massachusetts to encourage students from different racial backgrounds to engage in different activities," stated Mrs. Shumann. She went on to explain, "These activities will help them to enjoy each other's company in a learning situation."

►Robin Rivera feels time has slipped backwards at the NY Metropolitan Museum.

▼Michele Stasiak and Dan Turgeon relax to music on the way back from the North Shore Music Theatre.



►Chris Butler, John Lanou, Victoria McMillian and Rebecca Colon enjoy a day away from the classroom.





Kenneth Talbert
Sharon Taylor
Yvette Teece
Gail Terry



Romy Terry
John Thomas
Theresa Thomas
Carmelo Toledo



Lissette Torres
Madeline Torres
Edward Torruellas
Michael Trombley



Iris Vargas
Linda Vaughan
Katherine Vautrain
Ivette Vazquez



Marian Vazquez
Madeline Villodas
Ula Wadlegger
Dawn Wanzo



Lorraine Watt
Karen Weiss
Lori White
Patrick White

►Mr. Basili joins Alicia Cayode and Kate Belniak as well as students from Central at the WNEC Leadership Banquet.

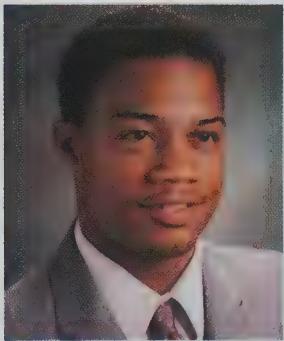
▼Chris Butler and Stacy Bilodeau enjoy a sumptuous chicken dinner at WNEC.



Bryant Whitsett
Issac Wilkerson
Tonya Wilkerson



Raymond Williams
Danita Wilson
Kevin Wilson
Natalie Wilson



Michelle Wray
Teresa Wunch
Edwin Zavala
Todd Zeo





▼Commerce, Central and Putnam students wait in the Mass Mutual lobby to meet the company president.



▲Rebecca Colon makes new friends at WNEC

Leadership

"**A**re you SMART?" This was one of the questions asked of 30 area students at the 1987 Junior Leadership Institute held this year for four consecutive weeks at WNEC.

Ten Commerce students, selected for their leadership abilities, were told that SMART referred to goals which were Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely. Then

they were divided into groups composed of Putnam and Central students as well, so that good leadership techniques could be discussed and school improvements planned.

The fourth session consisted of a trip to the offices of four Springfield leaders for advice and praise — the President of Baybank Valley, the President of the Springfield Urban League, the President of Mass. Mutual and finally Mayor Neal.

The tour ended with a banquet and speeches.

► Miriam Irizarry and Darryl King enjoy a dance together.

▼ Dapper males and dashing females hit the dance floor, and Barbara Czelusniak shows them all the latest steps.



Elegance

Just the two words "prom night," start teenagers conjuring up in their minds what their prom will be like. Last year, the junior class didn't have to dream anymore, because it was their time to bask in the elegance of their prom night.

The prom dream had the perfect setting in the Grand Ball Room of the Marriott on May 28, 1987. The first hour was mostly a social hour with beverages and snacks served, allowing people a chance to mingle in their satins and frilly, lacy gowns while being escorted by a perfectly tuxedoed date. There were over 75 couples present.

The dinner was a chicken breast served with baked potato and vegetable, which was completed with a school-spirited sundae — vanilla ice cream with strawberries.

After everyone admired their fellow classmates, the voting for the prom queen and king took place. Mr. Basili crowned the queen, Monique Boyd, followed by her court Julie Dinnie, Debbie Bryant, Robin Bailey, Miriam Irizarry, Joy Jasmin and Vionet Garcia. Darryl King was crowned the king.

The rest of the night was spent dancing with the DH, Ross the Boss, and just making the most of this special night.

After leaving the prom, many couples were picked up by their rented limosines.

► Monica Boyd adjusts Darryl King's boutonniere.



▲Wayne Maczka and Brenda Hebert dance cheek to cheek.

▼The prom king, queen and court, sitting: Robin Bailey, Monique Boyd (prom queen) and Deborah Bryant; standing: Joy Jasmin, Vionet Garcia, Darryl King (prom king), Miriam Irizarry and Julie Dinnie.



▲Enjoying their meal are Carla West and Lorenzo Gaines.



Color Us Red!

Thanks to our principal, Mr. Basili, the High School of Commerce's image is blossoming with each passing year.

To begin with, a true raider red was not displayed on items of school spirit and athletic uniforms in previous years. It was always burgundy or maroon. "I stumbled upon the fact that a bright red was the original Commerce color," stated Mr. Basili, "when I found an old band jacket." He added, "When I questioned the reason for the change from the original color, I was told that maroon doesn't run!"

Vowing to "have red before

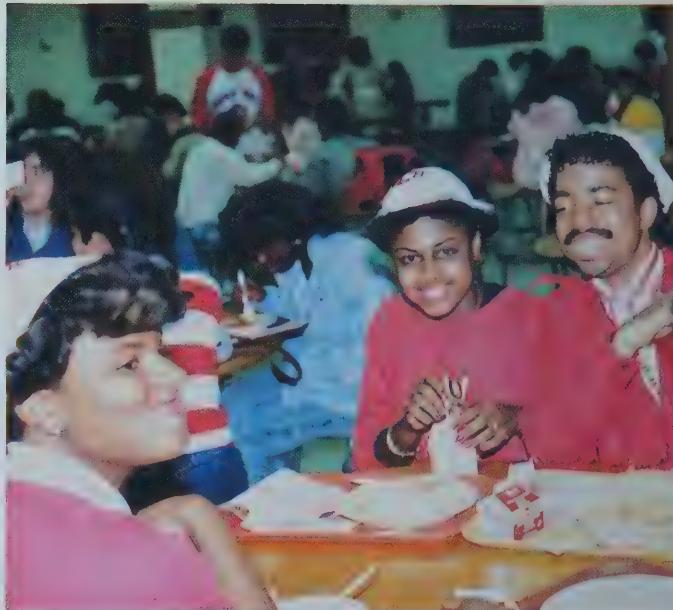
leaving this school," Mr. Basili started off with the sports uniforms. Then he worked his way to caps and gowns. He has been consistent in the conversion ever since his reign as principal began.

He also found it illogical that the school mascot, the Raider, was actually shown as an Indian chief with a full headdress of feathers. A raider wears only one or two feathers. The class of '86 was the first class in the school's history to display an actual raider on their class ring, due to Mr. Basili's search for accuracy.

The class of '88 is proud that things are finally straight; we will graduate as the RED RAIDERS.

►**Carlene Kilbride, Lori White, Kim Hanks and Jennifer Williams mix socializing and lunch.**

▼**Pablo Flores tries to tempt Francisco Rivera into purchasing a candy bar for dessert.**



▲**On Red Day,** Betty Gandy, Azanda Howard and Reuben Foster all wear the school colors.



▼Displaying her Raider red and her senior status is Danita Wilson.



◀Friends forever: Ula Wadlegger, Dave Shea, Luz Rios and Mia Hassell.

▲Danny Ramirez welcomes his friends to his lunch table.

Jennifer Sawicki dissects a frog on her path toward adulthood.





◀ Kimberly Mathieu grabs a few books at her locker between classes.

▼ Patricia Chouinard, Raquel Cabrera, Cathy Christiansen and Lisette Caro compare part-time jobs.



We're Ready!

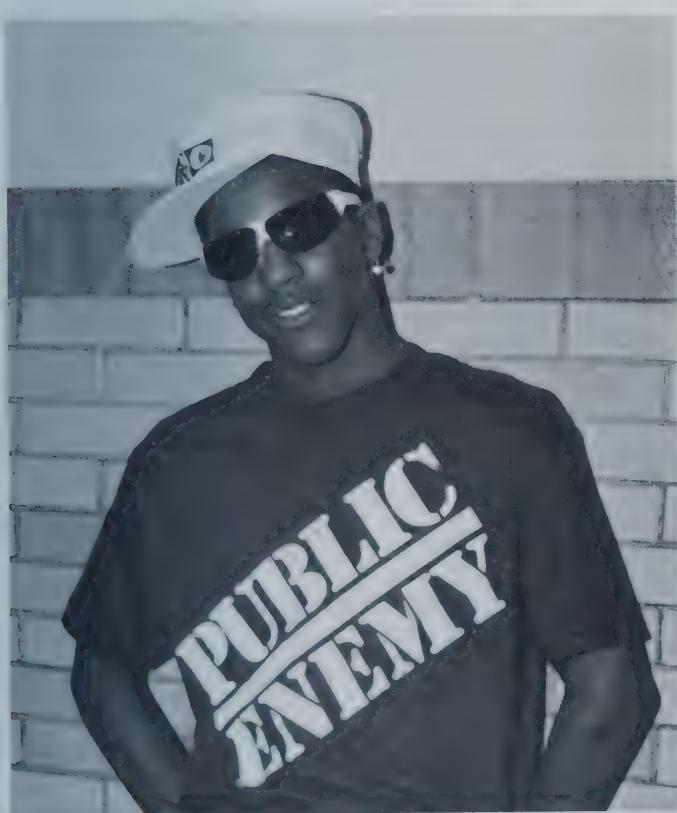
Soon there comes a time separating adolescence from adulthood. There is no turning back after this time.

This time is graduation — a moment in your life when childhood ends and the responsibilities of an adult begin. One must become dependent upon one's self and no one

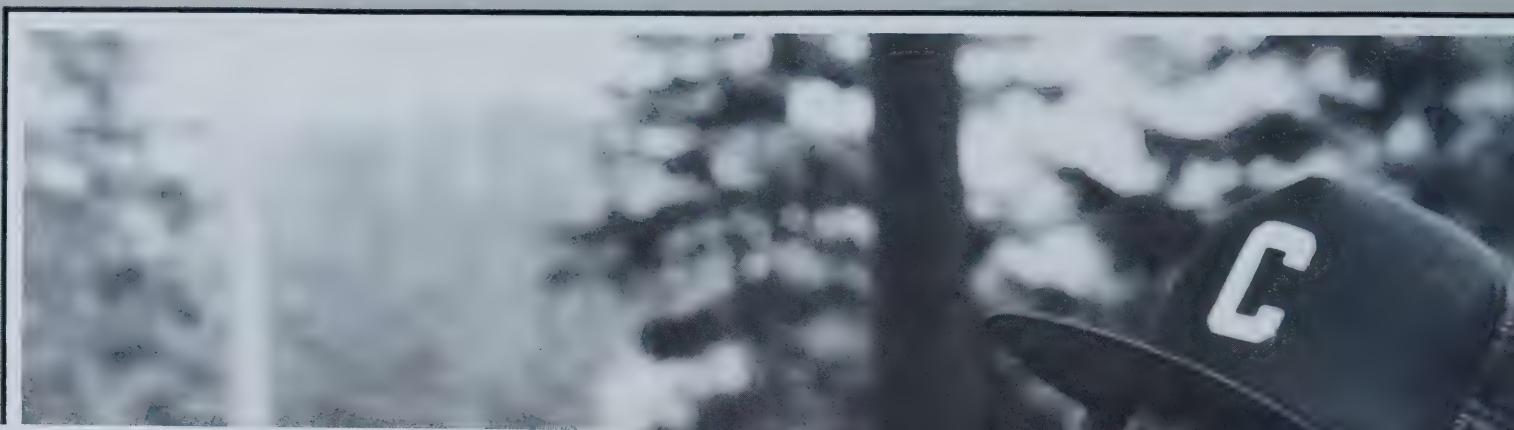
else.

Some will meet hard times. Others will lead a life of style, but we will all enter this world and meet challenges.

There is no escaping our growth. Very few would want to. And so on graduation night, we will hold our heads high and smile that secret smile that will let the entire world know we are ready.



◀ Anthony Harden poses in a doorway before entering school.



SPORTS



Baseball Coach Dougal
scrutinizes his players as the
action begins.



▲A wrestling match starts off at the whistle with Ed Torruellas attempting to flip his opponent.

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he thrill of victory, and the agony of defeat . . . how many times have we heard this expression and experienced both poles of emotion. We must simply be thankful for the team experience and use what we have learned in life.

▼Offensive player Jose Garcia attempts to run for a touchdown.

▼The Commerce Varsity Football Team, front row: Virgilio Garcia, Thomas Devane, Al Sarno, Dale Moore and Robin Rivera; second row: John Golen, Alexis Ostolaza, Steve Engle, Tim Frasier, Pernel Harris, Andre Goldson and



Dave Prentis; third row: John Steiner, John Murdock, Jose Garcia, Louis Rodriguez, Robert Glaze, Willie Moss and Chris Triba; fourth row: Marc Collins, Anthony Batiste, James Frogameni, Adrian Singleton, Hamilton Ramos, Al Cusson, Coach Garvey, Coach Provo and Coach Fiore.

"Injuries to key people made for a small squad this year."



ith plenty of bodies and good attitudes, the Raiders opened the season, but injuries to key people ultimately made for a small squad this year.

But the general consensus among this year's Commerce football players was that "they played more as a team and had a more positive attitude than in the past."

One thing that might have helped

▼Commerce members block the opposing team from scoring.



▼Pernal Harris joins in a swarming defense to stop the opposing team for no gain.

▼Bottom: With Al Sarno in possession of the ball, the Commerce offense goes on attack.



▼Commerce's defense of Thomas Devane and Louis Rodriguez close in on the opponent.



was the number of loyal fans — teachers, parents and zesty Commerce Raiders — who attended away as well as home games.

Coach Provo agreed, "I feel the team's attitude was much better than last year, and also this was a much more competitive team." He added that he felt the first four games were played well, but the last two were disappointing.

One thing missing from the football

field this fall was a good offense. "It takes awhile for an experienced team to gain precision on offense," revealed Coach Provo.

This year's games had more scores than last year. After three football games, the Raiders scored 21 points. However, the final record was the same as in '86. Player Thomas Devane stated, "Instead of being 0-6, we should have been 4-2."

Senior quarterback Alfonso Sarno

executed well, and the runningback Al Cussen showed spark with great running and good yardage. Edrian Singleton was lauded for some good moments in passing.

Devane concluded, "I liked my teammates; I felt the '87 team was much more improved. Next year I'm sure they'll regroup and have a winning season." ☆

SOCER



"Soccer is quickly becoming a favorite sport at the High School of Commerce."



efeat is not always easy to take, but the boys' and girls' soccer teams could handle anything that was dished out.

With seven returning players and eight newcomers, the boys' team hit the field in their new uniforms. The season kicked off with a strong start for the first five games. In the middle it went downhill,



▲The boys' Soccer Team Members, **first row:** Ross Murray, Jaime Lopez, Todd Zeo, Garth Perri and Russel Coste; **second row:** Barbara Czelusniak, statistician, Yavessha Siriphnthong, Andy Fuentes, Eddie Parson, Tito Rivera, Truong Nguyen and Efrain Medina; **third row:** Coach Garvey, Tammy Clarke, statistician, Richard Jambora, Ngeth Thun, Scott Jambora, Todd Stewart, Scott Kidder, Edwin Soto, manager, Dan Midura, manager and Coach Varzeas.

►The girls' Soccer Team Members, **first row:** Captain Terry Wunch, Christa Mucha, Tara McCarthy, Amanda Lessard and Daisy Marquez; **second row:** Linda Preston, Kerry-Ann Mayer, Rhonda Stoddard and Irma Medina; **third row:** Coach Smist, Michelle Sulewski, Kathy Walsh, Sonia Rivera, Brenda Hebert, Eli Gonzalez, Jennifer Sauer and Coach Wroblewski.



but the team proved strong during the last seven games.

Jaime Lopez, a two-year player, had a record of seven goals and four assists. He ended his season being named "player of the week" in the Springfield Union. Todd Zeo was an exceptional goalie, ending his season with 344 saves. Also playing an outstanding game were Garth Perri, Russell Costa, Rick Jambora, Felix LaSanta, Ross Mur-

ray and Eddie Parson.

Although the Lady Raiders had a losing season of 1-10-3, most games were close. "The team worked really hard," replied Coach Wroblewski. "A good percentage of the games were lost because of lack of offense. The Raider team could not score."

This year, the team will lose three seniors — Amanda Lessard, fullback, Terri Wunch, center forward and Brenda

Hebert, forward. But the goal tending duties shared by the two freshmen, Tara McCarthy and Sonia Rivera will be seen again next year.

Coach Wroblewski feels the line should be a very experienced nucleus for next season. "Many freshmen and juniors will be returning, plus we have the incoming tenth graders. From the look of it," he continued, "the Commerce team will be very strong." 



▲**Goaltender Tara McCarthy** makes sure the score stays in our favor.

▲**Top: Giving the game their all** are Andy Fuentes and Todd Stewart.

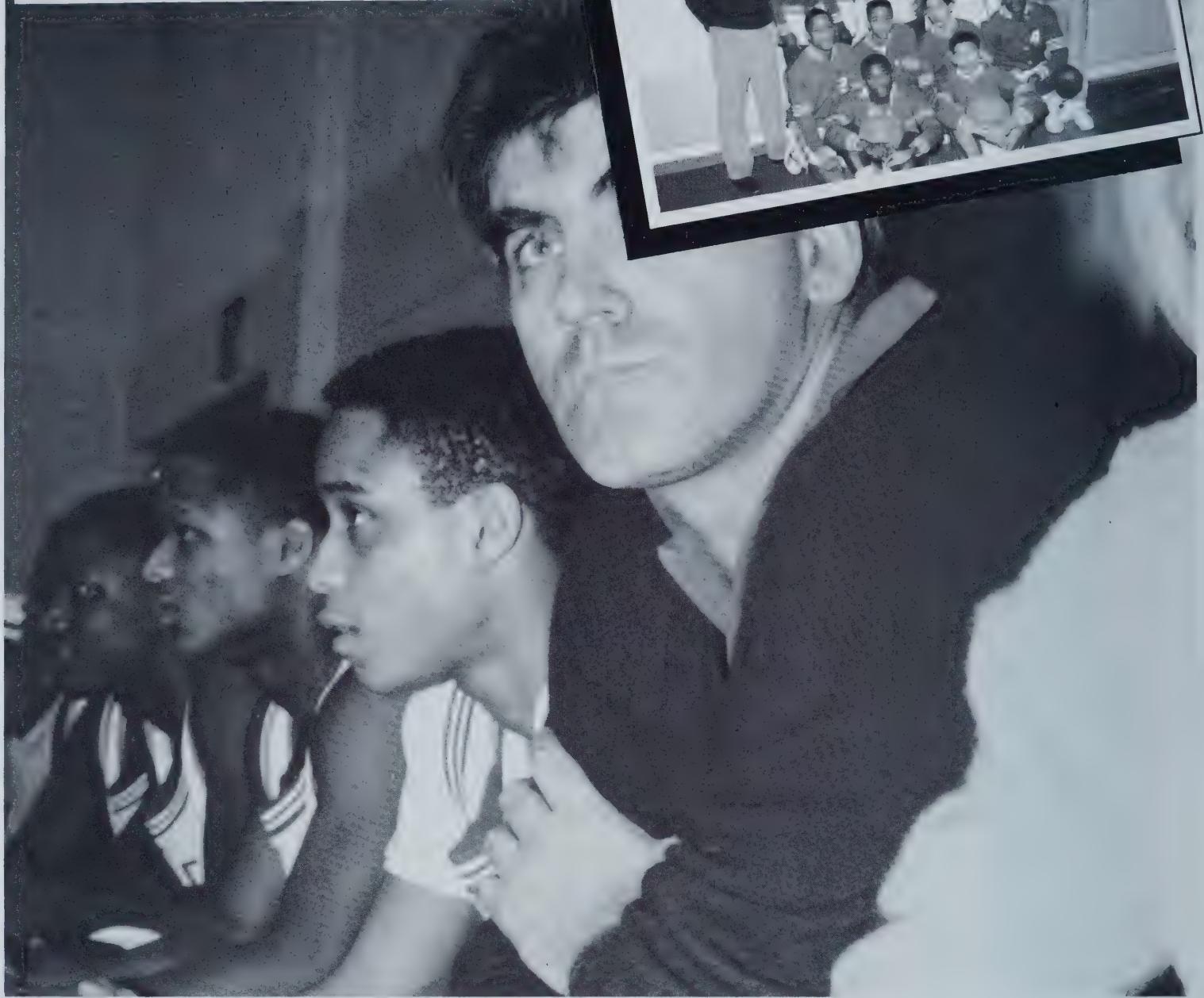
▲**Todd Zeo** keeps the ball in play.

▲**Top: Russel Costa**, Jaime Lopez and Todd Stewart try to gain control of the ball.

▲**Linda Preston** blocks an attempted pass by the Putnam team.

▼Coach Provo checks for time remaining while the Commerce players are engrossed in the game.

►Commerce Varsity Basketball Members, first row: Tim Jackson and Edwin Zavala; second row: Alan McTizic, Fabian Scott, Luis Robles and Elton Gartman; third row: Coach Provo, Larry Williams, Issac Wilkerson, Todd Walker, Stanley Early, LaVonne Dixon and Lisa Petell.



"The Valley League was graced by their presence."

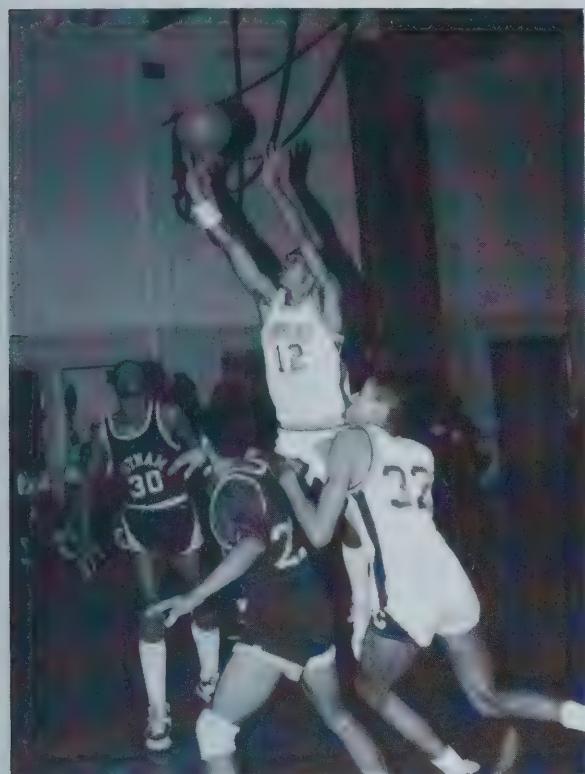
Basketball



t was an awesome year for our basketball team, which was made up of 6 seniors, 2 juniors and 3 freshmen. This past season showed excitement and an awakening of the Commerce pride that has laid dormant for years.

The year was so successful due to everyone's contributions — the players, the coach, and the students and

▼Francisco De Jesus attempts to rack up points against Putnam with Wesley Ford's help.



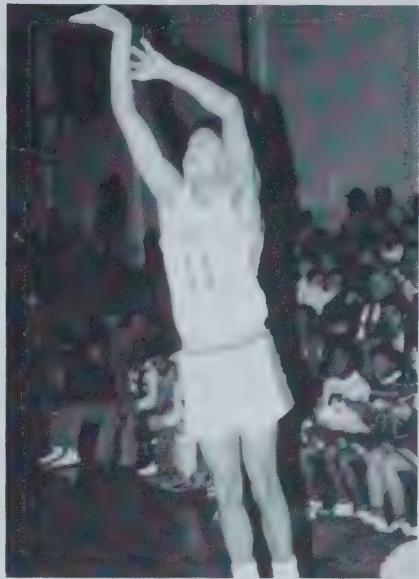
▼Elton Gartman rebounds successfully with only a few minutes left in the game.

▼Below: Reggie Timmons, Jason Ryll and George Cumba watch from the bench.



▼That's an easy two points scored by Edwin Zavala.

▼Commerce Junior Varsity Basketball Members, first row: Gary Smith and Francisco De Jesus; second row: Reggie Timmons, Eddie Haywood, Maurice Jones and Jorge Cumba; third row: Coach Garvey, Marvin Lewis, Wesley Ford, Jason Ryll and Luis Rodriguez.



teachers who cheered our guys on to many victories. The Raiders opened their Valley League schedule with a decisive 97-81 victory over State Street rival Putnam. Edwin Zavala scored 36 points, tying a Western Massachusetts season high.

The players worked really hard this year by practicing two hours a day for three days a week. They averaged two games a week throughout the

season. Their attitude was positive, and there was plenty of action on the court to keep spectators on the edge of their seats.

Their first loss was at East Longmeadow where the undefeated RED lost in overtime at the buzzer as co-captains Edwin Zavala and Tim Jackson combined for 46 points. These two were always there when needed to help the team pull ahead. In fact, contributions

by all members — Luis Robles, Issac Wilkerson, Alan McTizic, Fabian Scott and Larry Williams in particular — made a difference.

The Commerce basketball teams played their hardest with the guidance of Coach Provo and Coach Garvey and the packed bleachers of supporters. The Valley League was graced by their presence. 



Basketball

"Commerce was able to reinstate a girls' junior varsity program."



The girls' basketball team started their season with strong enthusiasm. And since the number of girls trying out for the team increased considerably from last year, Commerce was able to reinstate a girls' junior varsity program for the first time in four years.

The varsity team improved skill-wise from the previous season, but it met



▲Evelyn Pollard contemplates diving for the ball.

▲Top: Commerce Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball Team, first row: Donnette Xy... second row: Coach Limero, Lisa Gardner, Asilia Hill, Novelette Wilson, Michelle Thomas, Collette Wilson and Yvette Brantley as, Collette Wilson and Yvette Brantley.



▲J.V. player Yvette Brantley looks around for passing prospects.

▲Top: A. J.V. player tries to take possession of the ball during a game with Ware.



▲Coach Limero takes time out to talk strategy with her ladies.

with tougher competition. Co-captains Melissa Federico and Linda Preston led the team in rebounding, while junior point guard Annette Caraballo sparked the Raider offense. Other seniors contributing to the team were Julie Dinnie, the only three years member, Sylvia Green, Tammy Clarke and exchange student Dagmar Pfefferle.

Commerce defeated Smith Voke 29-24 for the first win of the season. Lin-

da Preston had seven points while Angela McCray, Melissa Federico, Tammy Clarke and Sylvia Green each had four. Also, Melissa Federico had twelve rebounds and five assists while Linda Preston had eight rebounds and two steals to assure the Raiders of a victory.

The junior varsity team was led by juniors Meredith Snead, Donnette Xymies and Michelle Thomas. Freshman twins Novelette and Collette Wilson

also contributed in the scoring and rebounding department.

These Raiders opened their home season with a 19-12 victory over Granby. Juniors Yvette Brantley and Michelle Thomas each had 5 points. Thomas also had 7 steals and 5 rebounds. ☆



▲ Surrounded by Ware players, Melissa Federico has aimed for a basket and awaits the results.

◀ Commerce Girls' Varsity Basketball Team, **first row:** Tammy Clark, Melissa Federico, Angela McCray, Julie Dinnie and Dagmar Pfefferle. **second row:** manager, Sylvia Green, Evelyn Pollard, Tonya White, Linda Preston, Annette Caraballo and Coach Limero

▼Silence is a wrestler's best friend when he's gearing up for a match: J. Thomas, A. Cusson, A. Milsap, E. Torrellas and V. Garcia.
►Commerce Wrestling Team Members, first row: A. Golson, C. Butler, D. Frappier, J. Rosemond and D. Salgado; second row: S. Sutton, D. Oliver, J. Thomas, V. Garcia, A. Cusson, A. Milsap, E. Torruellas.



Wrestling

"If you measure success by wins and losses, we don't have many wins."



wrestling, which is quickly becoming one of the most popular sports in America, returned to Commerce last year for the first time in ten years.

Under the coaching of Mr. Fiore, the team made radical improvements this year.

"If you measure success by wins and losses, we don't have many wins," Fiore

▼**Psyching up** in solitude before a match, Ed Torrellas feels strong and invincible.



▼**John Thomas and** a friend don the Commerce colors and contemplate victory.

▼**Ed Torrellas** is not quite "on top" of things at this moment.



▼**A victory for** James Rosemond!
▼**For Dan Salgado,** practice has paid off.



admitted. But he also pointed out that they reached several goals that they set for this year, such as an increased number of participants and a larger number of players remaining eligible after the grades came out.

Also, the team had a larger schedule this year, featuring five home games and 11 away games. Coach Fiore became excited about having home games, as Commerce had none last

year.

The individual team members that Coach Fiore feels are especially talented include team captain Dan Salgado, Dan Frappier, Ed Torrellas and James Rosemond. Up-and-coming underclassmen Al Cusson, Andre Golson and Virgillio Garcia also show promise. Cusson was named Union-News athlete of the week.

Coach Fiore feels that all 12 team

members worked very hard, and he looks forward to next year when his nucleus of six to seven returnees will be able to wear new uniforms in the new school colors. He also feels that his team will grow in size and success, and that Commerce will steadily move up the ranks in Western Mass. school wrestling. ★

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"It's too bad the girls don't come out for the Track Team."

RACK



▲Top: Melissa Federico practices her style in hurling the discus.

▲Julie Dennie comes in for a landing on the broad jump.

▲Top: Jumping hurdles is what keeps Amanda Lessard in top shape.

▲Edith Williams winds up for a terrific discus throw.



The 1987 girls' Track Team was again hindered by numbers. Had there been more members on the team, their showing would have been more impressive, but the closest they came to winning was with Holyoke at a score of 77 to 50.

This was not bad, however, since the team finished the season with only six competitors. Despite losing all the track meets, there were still some bright spots among the Lady Raiders.

Melissa Federico was the team leader. She had the best performances in four events: 100 meter hurdles (19 sec.), 200 meters (31.5 sec.), discuss

(74'11") and the shotput (27'5").

Amanda Lessard also was a top performer for the Track Team. She qualified for the Individual Track Championships at Springfield College and finished second among tough competition.

Julie Dinnie was a newcomer to the team, but was a hard worker and a tough competitor. The highlight of the

season was Julie's spirited win in the 400 meters against some talented runners from Central High School.

Hopefully, in the future, the team will attract more students to participate. There is a lot of talent in our school; it's too bad the girls don't come out for the Track Team. 



▲The girls' Track Team: Edith Williams, Sharrie Evans, Melissa Federico, Coach Bill Limero, Anna Nordstrom, Amanda Lessard and Julie Dinnie.

▲Anna Nordstrom pulls ahead in the 200 meter against Southwick.

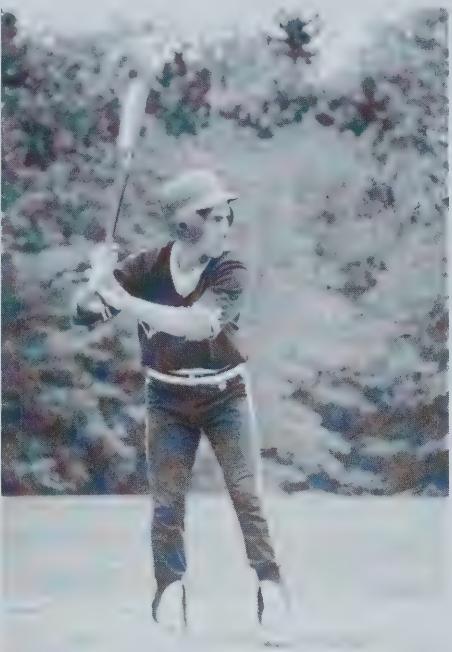
▼Bottom: J.V. Baseball Team Members, first row: Hamilton Ramos, Ed Torruellas, Jaime Lopez and Steven Engel; second row: Luis Velasquez, Dan Frappier, Andy Fuentes, Alan McTizic and Calvin Hamrick; third row: Ismael Acevedo, Carmelo Toledo, Jorge Cumba, Tim Pasterczyk, Ed Parson, Chris Triba, Mark Heathman and Coach Cray.

▼First baseman Todd Zeo anticipates Tagging an opponent out.



▼Bottom: J.V. first baseman Hamilton Ramos is at the ready to prevent scoring.

▼The outfielders move back when Luis Robles is at bat.



▼Catcher Michael Warren prepares for a winning game.



"The team's attitude was positive from the start."

ASEBALL



The season was hot for the Raiders in red as they not only made it to the Western Mass Tournament Division I, but also won by an 8 to 4 record.

"The team's attitude," stated Coach Dougal, "was positive from the start, and they put forth a great deal of effort." Having the home advantage at Van Horn Park also explains the team



◀Varsity Baseball Team Members, first row: Travis McDowell, James Fournier, Todd Zeo, Ruben Corales, Luis Murphy and Louis Prendergast; second row: Manager Lisa Coty, Manager Greg Fitzgerald, Michael Warren, Russell Costa, Al Sarno, Edwin Zavala, Eric Davies, Daniel Salgado, Norman Nieves and Coach Dougal.

▼Pitcher John Murphy winds up as third baseman Edwin Zavala looks on.



improvement. Commerce played their best when at home.

The pitching staff included John Murphy, who was the MVP of the playoff games. He and Louis Prendergast helped greatly in the defeat of other teams. Catcher Edwin Zavala tried his best behind the plate and came up with surprising wins.

In '88, our new co-captains Todd Zeo and Luis Robles along with Danny Sal-

gada, Travis McDowell and Edwin Zavala will put the team in the spotlight.

The J.V. baseball team coached by Mr. Cray showed their skills by coming through many times with wins.

Pitcher Eddie Torruellas doubled as shortstop. Calvin Hamrick took right field and did pretty well there, while left field was claimed by George Cumba. Center field was well protected by Ismael Acevedo, and Mark Heathman

was tremendous guarding the plate.

Infielders Hamilton Ramos, Andy Fuentes and Alan McTizic were excellent at first, second and third base respectively.

Many enthusiastic supporters came to cheer on both teams playing side by side at Springfield's Van Horn Park.



S OFTBALL



"They were not supported by a show of students and teachers."



The girls' softball team was lively and spirited in '87. With a 6 and 8 record, the girls not only proved they could win, but came close to a winning record.

A lot of the effort was put forth by Maribel Aquino who played first base, Lisa Rodriguez who played second, and third baseman Kathy Walsh.

Left and right fields were guarded by

▲Girls' Softball Team Members, first row: Teresa Wunch, Sondra Sutton, Michelle Sulewski, Lisa Rodriguez, Kathy Walsh, Amanda Howard and Rachel Rivera; second row: Coach Wroblewski, Bernitta Irving, Heather Croteau, Cheryl Roberts, Linda Preston, Kris Schmidt and Coach Smist.

▲Shortstop Heather Croteau scoops the ball up as third baseman Kathy Walsh watches.

Rachel Rivera and Michelle Sulewski respectively, while center field was taken by Terri Wunch. The pitcher, Kris Schmidt, and catcher, Linda Preston, gave up little to other teams. Shortstop Heather Crouteau was a surprising asset.

Considering the lack of experienced personnel, the Raiderettes did very well. A tremendous amount of spirit and an attitude of pride and respect

lifted them to six wins. Coach Wroblewski, very disappointed in the lack of attention on his girls, stated that "they were not supported by a show of students and teachers."

The team, which was made up mainly of juniors and freshmen, excelled in three special areas according to Coach Wroblewski. These were pitching, hitting and scoring. There was only one senior, Kris Schmidt, who will not be

returning for the '88 team, so the same dedication and spirit should be on the diamond again this spring.

This team proved that they could compete with some of the best schools around, even under adverse conditions. Coach Wroblewski commented that there were far too many distractions and hecklers to spur the girls on when they needed it.

Raiderettes, good luck in the future!



▲Cheryl Roberts, filled with determination, prepares to win the game.



▲Top: Catcher Linda Preston shows her skill behind home plate by catching the ball neatly.

▲The pitching of Kris Schmidt was a definite asset for the Raiderettes.



▲Top: Rachel Rivera and Lisa Rodriguez zero in on a fly ball.

▲A home run for Teresa Wunch!

▼With the tension of the game on their faces, Tonya O'Neil, Stacey Russell and Melissa Porter try to relax during a lull in the action.



C HEERLEADERS

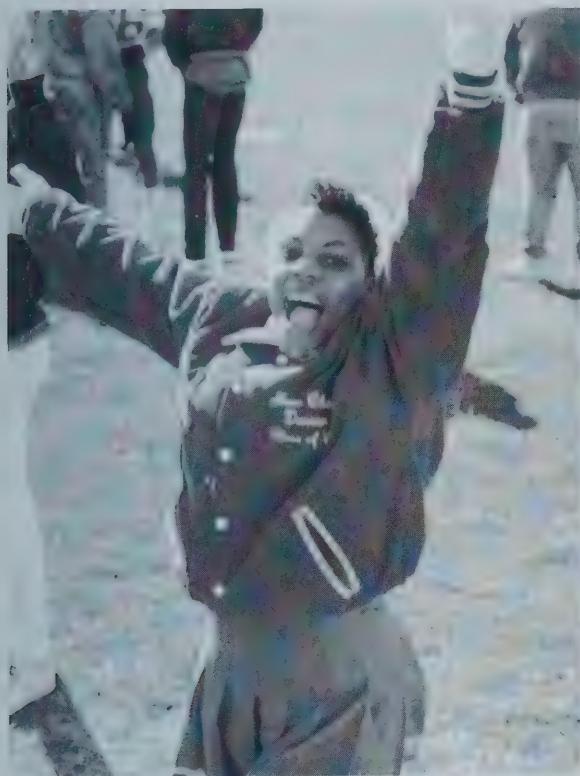
"The cheers may be the same, but the attitude and qualifications are not."



umping up and down on the sidelines, waving around red and white pom-poms, chanting Commerce cheers . . . those are our Commerce cheerleaders.

According to Captain Keisha Eger-ton, our cheerleaders have changed over the past few years. The cheers and footwork may be similar, but the

▼Squad Captain Keisha Egerton cheers her heart out at a football game.



▼Marisha Clinton executes a split as Marcus Jiles looks on.

▼Below: "Pretty maids all in a row," our cheerleaders spark crowd enthusiasm.



▼Stacey Russell hams it up for the camera.

▼Below: Commerce Cheerleaders, first row: R. Hall, K. Ince, Coach Franklin, Captain K. Egerton and E. Lumpkin; second row: E. Graham, M. Clinton, J. McCollum and M. Joyner; third row: C. Gore, S. Russell, D. King, T. O'Neil and A. McCray.



attitude and qualifications are not. To begin with, our cheerleader enjoy what they are doing, and are very proud to show off their school.

Also, we now have boys on the cheering squad, which makes Commerce that much more unique and shows that we consider each other as equals, no matter what the circumstances. The male addition makes it possible for flamboyant lifts to be ex-

ecuted during the performance of a cheer.

Coach Franklin and Keisha Egerton, who has been on the squad for three years, have spent many days after school preparing the squad for new cheers.

The squad has also learned fancy footwork. Wayne Kelly, a local choreographer, has helped the girls work out routines for our sports rallies. This

change has proved to be very impressive and has never failed to grasp the attention of the audience.

During the year, our cheerleaders attended competitions, not to compete seriously, but to learn new ideas and how to be a good sport when losing. "One day I hope that the cheerleaders go to a competition empty-handed and come back full-handed," stated Miss Egerton.



▲ Our counselors are always there to help: Mrs. Hatchett, Mr. McDuffee, Miss Hogan and Mr. Serafino.



ACADEMICS

It is not always the book that teaches the student well. It is how cleverly and skillfully an instructor is when he breaks information down into that which is more easily understood. It is also the unique personality of the teacher that helps to convey the information.



▲ Mr. Varzeas humors his students by playing "Curse of the Mummy."

▲ Miss Wcislo gives her choir students last minute instructions.

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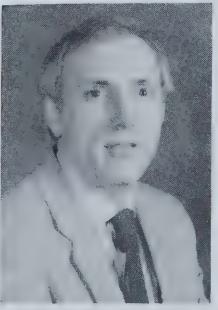
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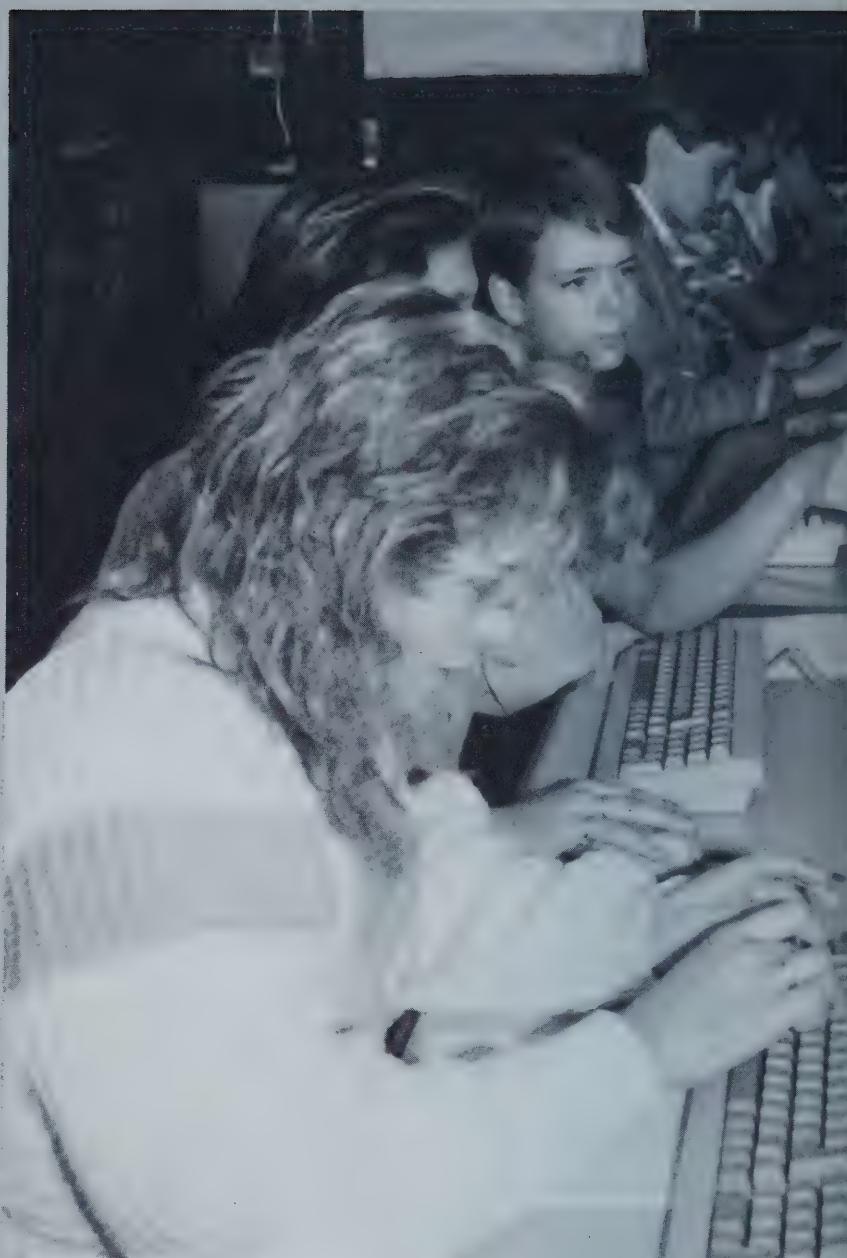


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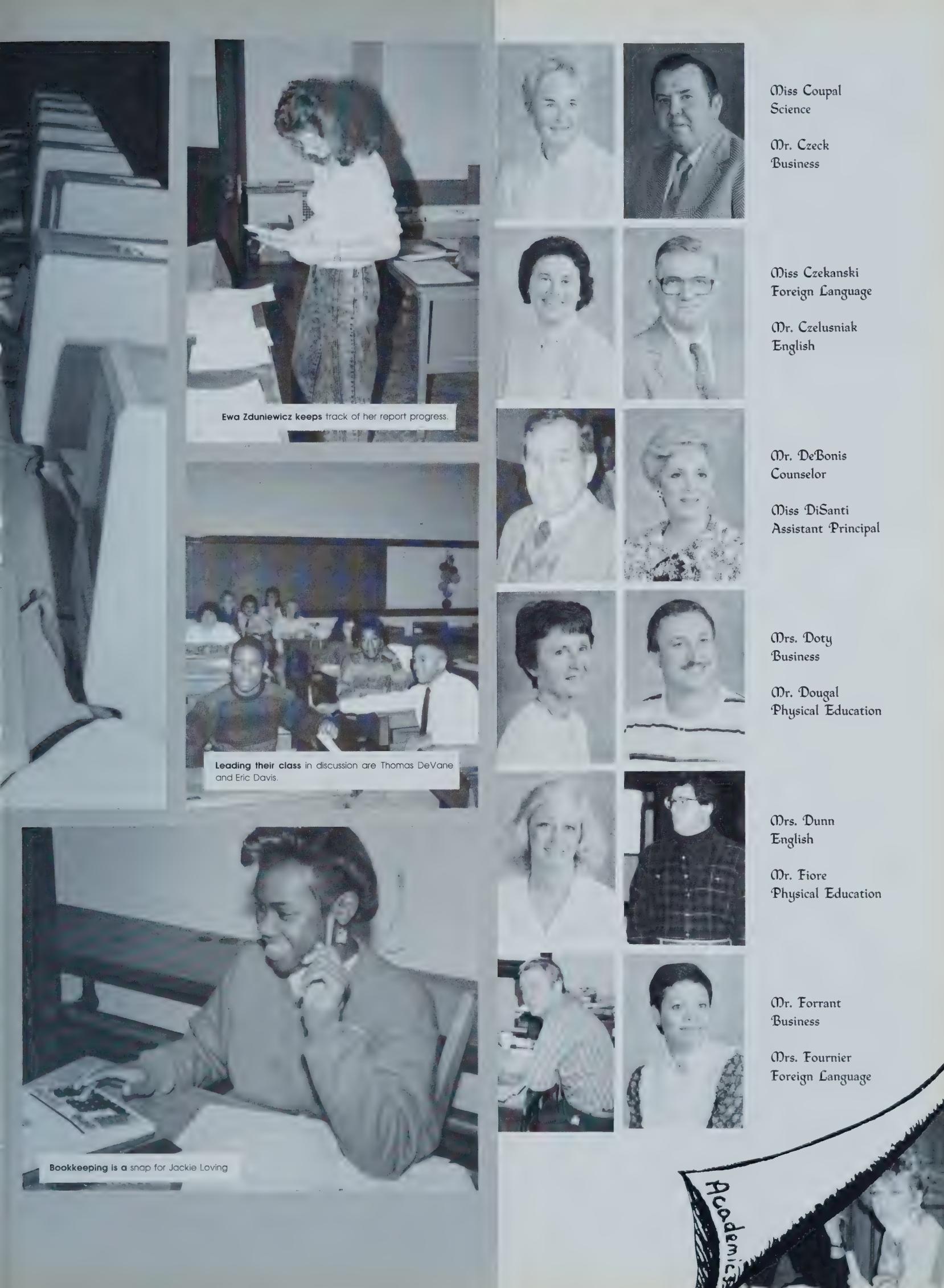
Mrs. Clark
English



Students in Commerce's Mac lab key in to a successful future.

BUILDING FUTURES

Both Mr. Tenczar, head of the business department, and Mrs. Henry, head of the secretarial department, feel that their departments are a very important part of the Commerce curriculum. They both provide students with secretarial and commercial skills which enable students to get a job or to survive in college. Most of all, they supply the opportunity to learn necessary skills to be successful in the business world. Collaborating with STCC, these departments offer college credit courses in both accounting and typing.



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English

Mr. Fiore
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Mr. Forrant
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Mrs. Fournier
Foreign Language

Ewa Zduniewicz keeps track of her report progress.

Leading their class in discussion are Thomas DeVane
and Eric Davis.

Bookkeeping is a snap for Jackie Loving

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Mathematics



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MAKING CHANGES

According to Mrs. Karr, English Department head, English is the basis of all subjects taken by students. Basic English skills must be understood in order to advance in all other subjects.

This department is in a constant state of upgrading to bring in new levels and materials. For example, two new classes — Drama and Honors English 2 — were added to the curriculum this year. One of the major changes in English is the increasing use of VCR tapes for advancement purposes.



Mrs. Marsh celebrates her favorite cartoon character during our Halloween dress-up day.



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Computer Science



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English

DOUBLE DUTY

The present bi-lingual program is new at Commerce. For its first year, Mr. Roy was chosen to be head of the department. The program was created to teach English as a second language to Spanish students. But there are also other subjects that are being taught in Spanish, so that the students may get the full benefit from their high school education.

Mr. Roy feels that this is a considerable advantage to the students from this program. He stated, "It gives them a chance to learn English and, at the same time, advance academically." He added that the students are responding very well to the program.



Working with clay is more than child's play for Gwen Guesin.



Mrs. Hatchett counsels Cassandra Phillips and Diana Johnson.



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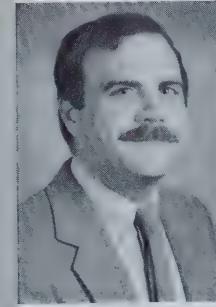
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Michael Rodriguez and Carlos Camachos wait for an appointment with Mr. Serafino



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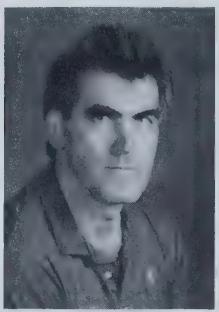
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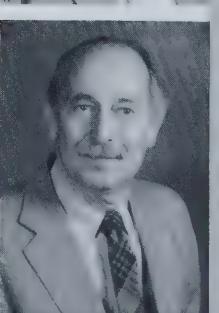
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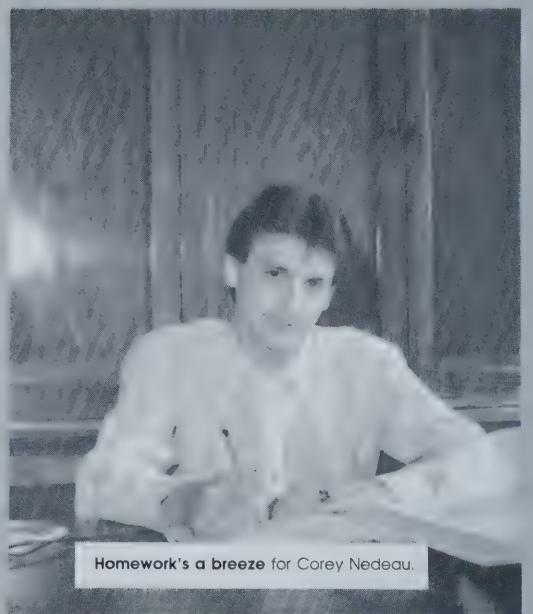


Mrs. Schumann
Art

Mr. Scott
Social Studies



Richard Jambora receives sympathy for his sprained ankle from friends



Homework's a breeze for Corey Nedea.



Maritza Osorio, Ed Hernandez and Maria Restrepo make it to class on time



A sea of faces makes its way to the cafeteria for first lunch

COMMUNITY SERVICE

This year the Social Studies department started a new program that will benefit the students as well as the community. The Mayor's Community Service Program was in preparation this past winter and was initiated this spring. The purpose of the program is to instill the need for community services in students. This new addition will help students to become better citizens and give them an insight into the present, as well as a possible prelude to the future. As with all other departments at Commerce, the Social Studies department is growing by leaps and bounds.



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English



Mr. Smith
Counselor



Mrs. Sparrow
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English



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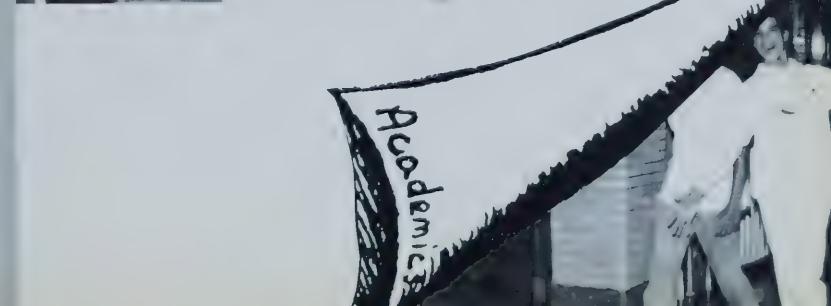
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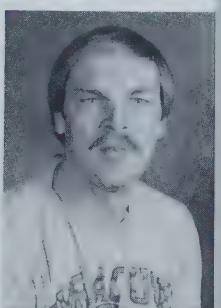
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Proud of her report card, Bernitta Irving flashes a Commerce smile.



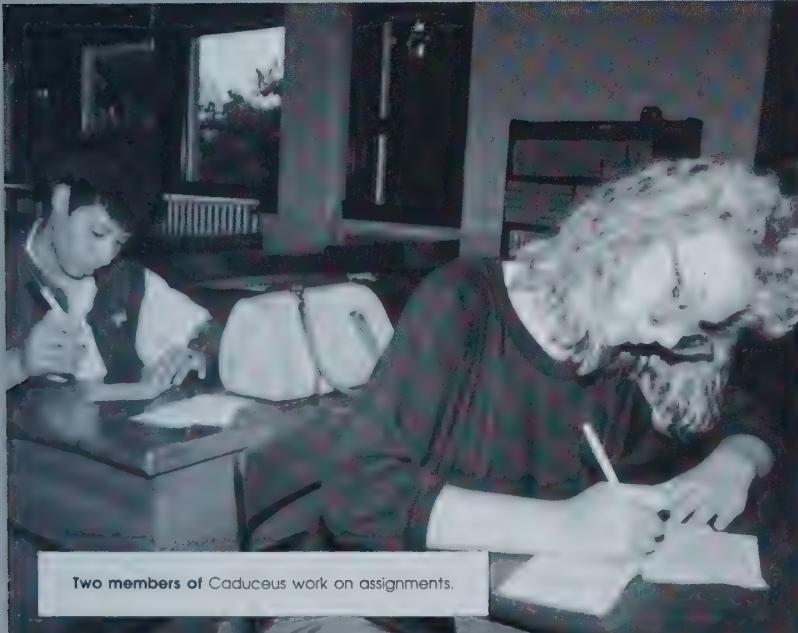
The guidance office is a busy place with Pablo Flores, Bridget Jones, Monique Boyd, Irene Lytras, Stephanie Franklin and Zuleika Brown.

ADDING UP

In the mathematics department of '88, many new and exciting events are occurring, according to department head Miss Blakeslee. For example, more guest speakers from nearby colleges are lecturing to help students appreciate the importance of a math background in business. This tie with our neighboring colleges is due to a new organization called "Five Colleges Incorporated" which includes UMass, Amherst, Smith, Mt. Holyoke and Hampshire colleges. In the future, the math department will not only be solving difficult problems from textbooks, but they will be impressing upon students the importance of these exercises.



Think twice when a drunk driver offers to take you with him.



Two members of Caduceus work on assignments.



Halloween proves fun for teachers as well.

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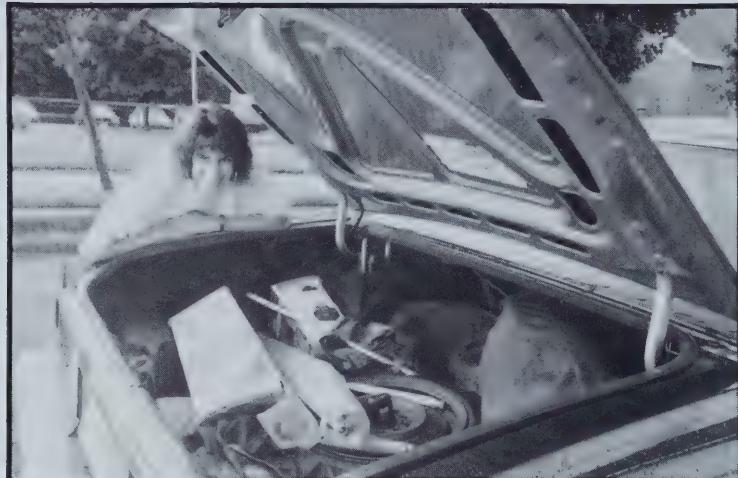
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Embarrassment



Your palms are sweating and your hands are shaking. You are sitting next to a person you have never met in your life. You are finally behind the wheel of a car and ready for your first driving lesson.

The instructor introduces himself and tells you to relax. Relaxing is the furthest thing from your mind! He explains that the P means park, R means reverse, N means neutral and D means drive; meanwhile you're thinking,

"How stupid does this guy think I am?"

He gives you the word to start the car, and your heart is beating faster than the car will go. You get to the corner of the street and, of course, there is a group of kids from Commerce hanging out there. You try to hide your face and get around the corner fast; but as you turn, the kids recognize you and start yelling.

Boy, are you embarrassed!

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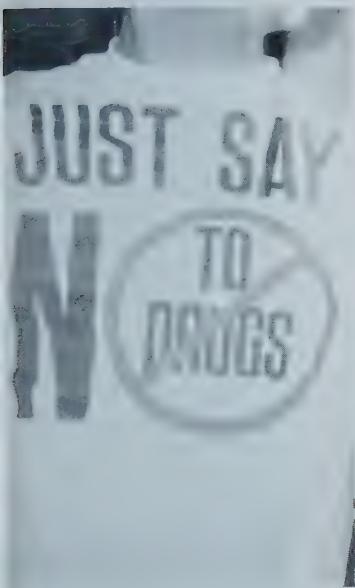


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Cupcakes, Twinkies, apple pies. Oh, my! No, it is not the Wizard of Oz. It's the dessert line at Commerce, and all the students are searching for their favorite dessert.

The dessert line must be the longest line in the cafeteria. So much so, that students try to receive their desserts faster by giving money to their friends in the front. But if caught, they must go to the end of that very lengthy line.

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To rectify this problem, many students feel that the lunch periods should be extended by ten minutes. That would mean cutting period 6 short by twenty minutes. Not bad!

Another gripe among students is that there are no wrappers on the desserts. What they fail to realize, however, is that many of those wrappers would end up on the floor.

You can't have your cake and eat it too.

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Teachers are continually standing up in front of class to explain homework or reprimand students. Many students think teachers are meanies who assign homework and don't have any feelings for their students. Their sole purpose in life is to make slaves of all adolescents.

Well, teachers are very enjoyable people who lead normal lives, despite what some teenagers think. And they do have a life outside the walls of the school build-

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ing.
Some teachers are just like their students; they go to school-related and school sports events, they have friends, a sense of humor and fun. And teachers don't go to these events to watch students mess up. They would like to find a common ground other than the student-teacher relationship.

Students don't realize it, but there is a teacher in every crowd, and he is just as normal as they are.

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Howard, Sh'Kena 25, 55
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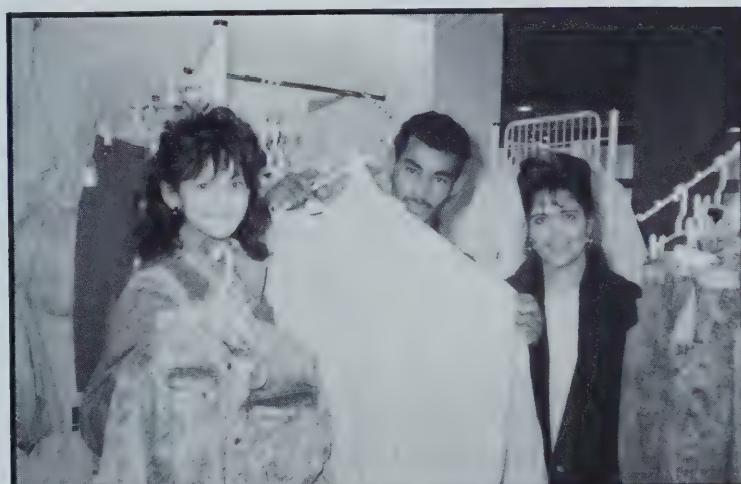
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From bright colors to pastels, suits and dresses to jeans and warm-ups, Commerce students certainly do dress in a variety of ways.

Often you see the latest fashions in our hallways. Quite often, too, you see our "executives," those who often dress up in business attire.

The greatest number of our students, though, dress in attractive, stylish and casual clothes. Still others dress for a

workout or morning job.

Why do we dress as we do? Well, style is a personal choice, and certainly a reason why we pick our style of clothes. However, many people dress for their jobs after school, especially those who work in offices. Some people try to keep up with the latest fashions, while others just want to feel comfortable.

Certainly all this makes Commerce a more interesting place.

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This year the High School of Commerce formed a Volleyball Club. They met on Mondays and Tuesdays beginning on September 28, and the average enrollment was thirty.

The highlight of their season was hosting Central's Volleyball Club and defeating them by a score of 125-117. The season finished on November 23.

Miss Moynihan, club advisor, stated, "We are looking forward to next year and hopefully starting a volley-

ball team instead of a club." That way there can be more competition with neighboring school systems.

Members included the following: Alberto Hernandez, Arnaud Darc, Soundara Paphoutha, Jaime Lopez, James Rosemond, Tracy Ross, Lakeo Sundara, Jean No, Lan Huynh, Tai Pham, Ron Pebbley, MaryAnn Vargas, Joaquin Alicea, Yvette Brantley, Ed Pagan, Tracy Holve, Sondra Sutton, Russell Costa and Juan Woodbury.

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One of the most popular senior-oriented programs this year was Jobs For Baystate Graduates. Job specialists, Miss Pratt and Mrs. Wiloughby, along with 110 actively participating seniors made this year the fourth successful year for JBSG.

This is a class that seniors may participate in during their study period. Learning employable skills and receiving job placement are two of the chief concerns of the program.

After the Initiation and In-

stallation Ceremony on November 16, members did not hold back their enthusiasm. Some seniors represented JBSG's as well as HSC at various meetings, partook in fund-raisers by selling key-chains, posters and roses and formed teams and played volleyball against area schools. They also held a field trip to Boston, held a Christmas party for a special education class and took part in the Career Development Conference at Chez Josef in April.

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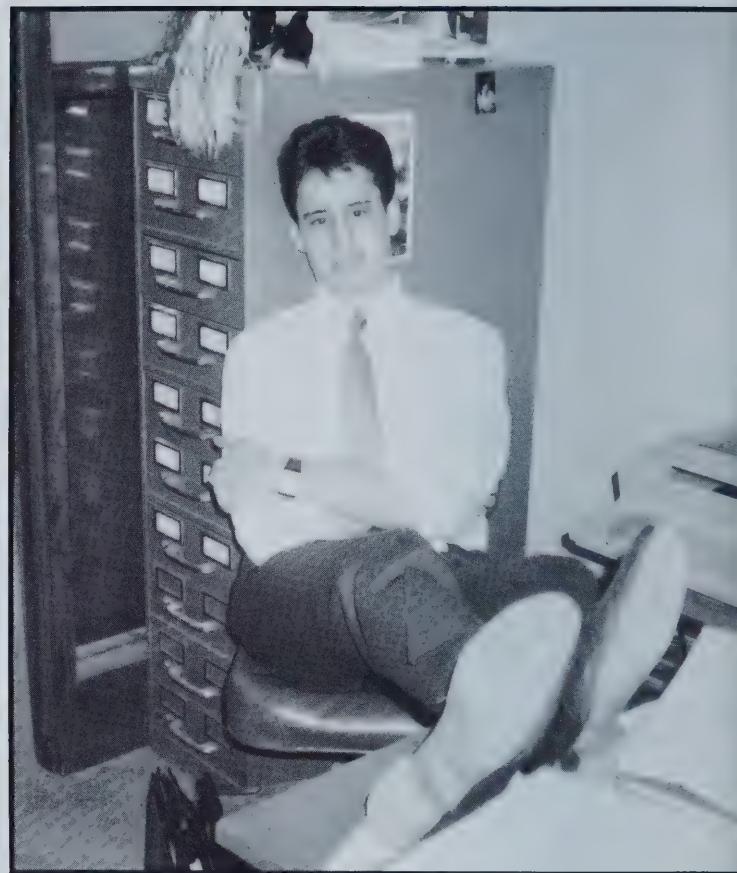
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Ask anyone for the name of the student who has gone most quickly from failure to success, and they'll undoubtedly give you the name of Tony Grosso.

Hardly the best student or the most actively involved last year, Tony has become the Alex P. Keaton of Commerce. The year before he "forcibly" left Cathedral with an F average.

All of a sudden he's wearing a necktie, carrying a briefcase, running for president of his class and parti-

pating in all kinds of activities. He now boasts of A's rather than F's, and he has recently started his own profitable tutorial service in the school.

Tony credits Mr. O'Brien with "turning him around." "He kept me after school last year and lectured me as to how I was going nowhere," commented Tony. "People take me much more seriously now."

Now Tony has realistic dreams of becoming a lawyer, a stockbroker, an accountant or a politician.

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BSU members strive to show leadership in the area by participating in community interests like SADD and Students Against Drugs. This past Thanksgiving, they helped set up and serve Thanksgiving dinner to the

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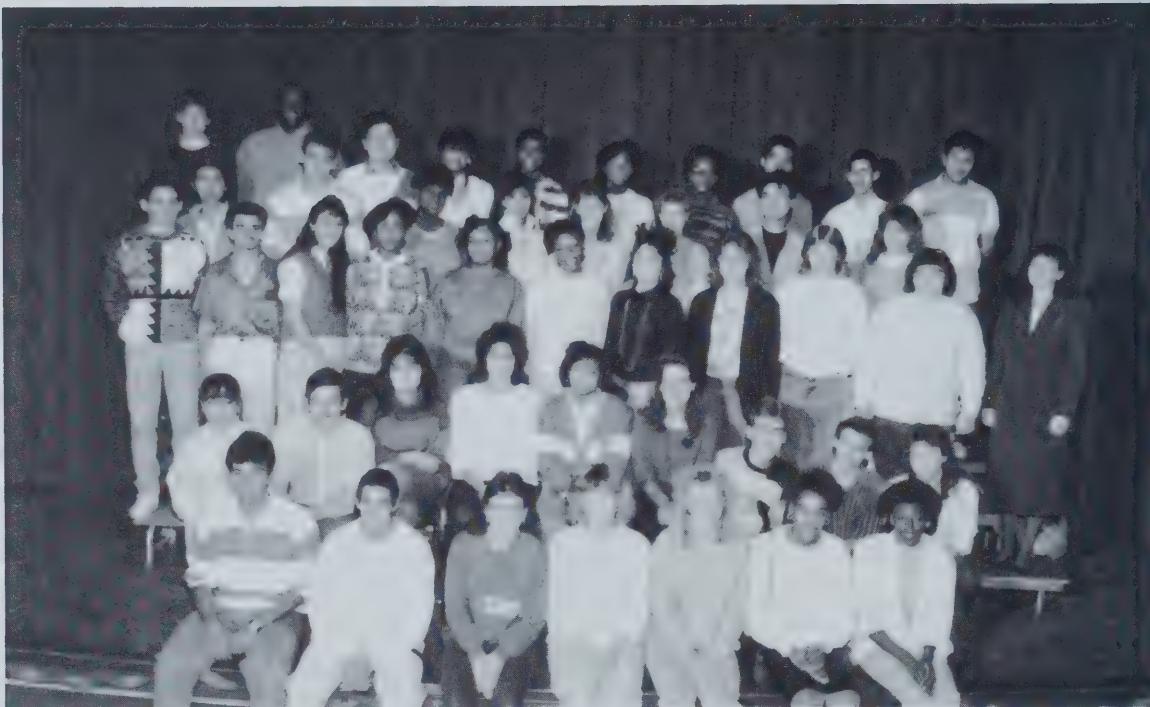
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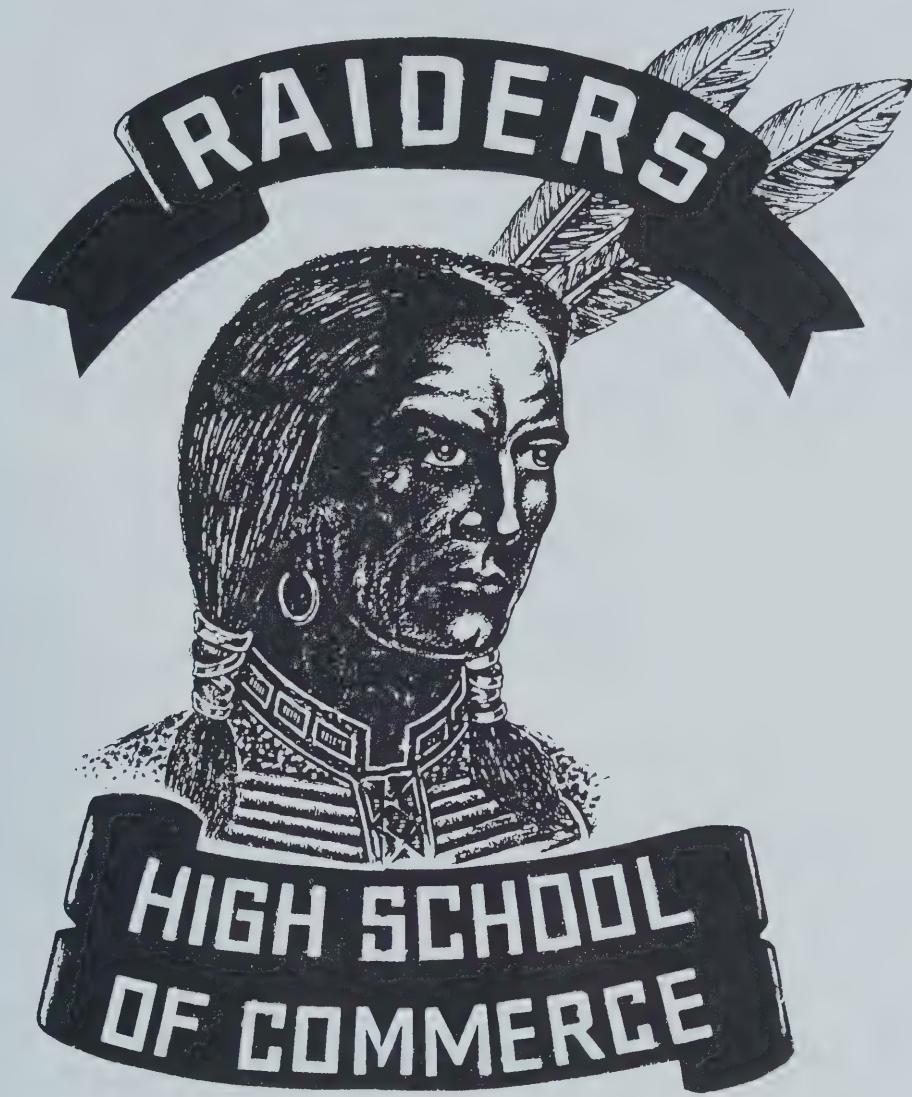
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- *Good Luck to all my friends in the Class of 1988 especially Theresa M.
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- *Best Wishes to Bobby and Mark — Love, Scott, Deana and Adam
- *Happy Graduation Amanda Lessard — Love You, Mommy Dearest
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1. Alicia, Yvette, and Robin leave the office in more chaos than when they found it.
2. Julie, Carolyn, and Barbara leave standing against the wall in front of Room 113.
3. Bobbie-Jo Santos leaves thanking all of her teachers for putting up with her.
4. Tammy Gallagher leaves Best Wishes to all of her teachers and friends!
5. Azanda, Betty, Robin, and Gail leave Rueben all of the mayonnaise he can eat.
6. To the class of "89", Melvin Rodriguez, leaves the senior privileges, take good care of the school and keep the pride goin' strong. Sike!!!
7. Danita, former Co-captain, leaves my leadership to Angela and Carmen of the cheerleading squad.
8. Edwin Zavala leaves the class of "89" to fight, fight, and always have the Commerce Spirit. Sike!
9. Theresa Moore leaves with Diane Santinello and her spirit, and her love to Ellen Kirley.
10. Nydia leaves Fred still saying, "50 dollar bill".
11. "To the class of 1989" Carmen Gonzalez leaves you the thought that you can achieve what you want, if you try, and to all her teachers she leaves you her memories and friendship.
12. To Mrs. Blakeslee, Ronald Pebbley leaves all the variables he never solved.
13. Tammy leaves her best friend Heather, all the keys that I ever lost and \$100 to cover her lunch expenses.
14. The Steno 2 class leaves Mrs. Henry a bottle of Advil for all the headaches we gave her.
15. Diane Gonzalez leaves saying Good Luck to Eileen Laurano.
16. Jr. leaves Carlos the best in class of "89".
17. Annette LaGue and Patricia Kenny leave together.
18. Amaris leaves Marisol and Eddie the best of luck next year!
19. Bridget Jones leaves Dwayne Dyer the best of luck in his next two years!
20. Stephanie leaves Claudine an extra education on her mind.
21. Josie leaves her best friend Maribel all of Commerce!
22. Peps, Alicia, and Kate leave the "1988" yearbook staff as a "PAK"!
23. Rhonda Pace leaves the class will to cousin Charisse back in the "freshman" year.
24. Maritza leaves her class will to her brother Alexis and good luck in his remaining years.
25. Keisha leaves Angela her Senior Schedule!
26. Travis leaves with his partner in crime Eddie T, Calvin, Greg, John, and a Big U U, to all his brothers and sisters United Forever.
27. Cindy, Diane, and Gina leave Mr. Olejarz, "still talking"!
28. Chung Ying Bun leaves the class of "89" the good memories I had during my three years!
29. Nyra leaves everyone surprised!!!
30. Russell Costa and Nydia leave the class of "89", looking up to them.
31. Miriam Santiago leaves memories of her talking and quietness behind to her teachers, during the class of "88".
32. Antwoine A leaves the class of "88" with the courage to survive and to go on to bigger and better things.
33. Angela Brown leaves all her teachers to Ann Scott.
34. Lisa R. leaves proud and happy to graduate, and good luck to all of her friends!
35. Christina leaves Mr. Smist and Mr. Wro fighting for the varsity soccer team in the years to come.
36. Tami Desrosiers leaves wanting her name spelled right for the first time!!!
37. Patricia Ortiz leaves Anthony Milsap her heart, sympathy and Good luck for the future.
38. Steve Matyka leaves his jokes and humor to the school!
39. EZ leaves all the girls of "88" a big kiss!
40. Carmelo Toledo leaves the school in charge of the class of "89", especially Nelly and Carslo.
41. Barbara C. leaves the soccer team and school store to Mr. V, and leaves kidding around with Ms. McCarthy in yearbook class!
42. Nancy Martinez leaves Mr. Guerra still pulling on his tie!
43. Undralia leaves the freshmen and juniors a little bit of what she learned at Commerce!!
44. Karen Weiss leaves her 'award winning smile' to Carl and Jim!
45. Julie A. leaves her advice to the underclassmen, 'don't drop out, you've come this far.'!!!
46. Lisa Ross leaves dancing her way out of Commerce, with the dream of becoming a famous actress!
47. Antoinette leaves with the class of "88", giving their love to Ms. Haley and her corny jokes to Alison.
48. Irene L. leaves Mrs. Hatchett with all the thanks in the world being there all through her Senior year!
49. Irene leaves Mr. Tenzar great thanks and because he had faith in her!
50. Jesus B. leaves Commerce with all his heart, knowing he went to the best school in Springfield!
51. Ingrid Small leaves her height to everyone at Commerce that can't grow any taller.
52. Joaquin Alicia leaves all his memories and love to the people who knew him!
53. 2nd period Baksey twins leave Mrs. Gonet all their love!!
54. 1st period couch potatoes leave Mrs. Haley as Jen & Lori!!
55. Danita Wilson leaves Carmen Mason bored without the crew!!
56. Gina, Cindy, and Diane leave Mr. Olejarz a case of Extra-strength Aspirin!!
57. Gina and Cindy leave Mrs. Barber saying, "A,S,D,E,J,K,L,!!
58. Pam leaves the class of "88" all the cute guys.
59. Natalie W. leaves Ms. Kalloch and her great adventures.
60. Teresa W. leaves her memories and love for soccer to Mr. Wroblewski.
61. Garth Perri leaves Mr. Carrier's class still a conservative.
62. Tammy H. and Michelle H leave still waiting to go to Hawaii.
63. Charlotte van Laarhoven leaves all her good friends at Commerce.
64. Brenda Hebert leaves Mr. Wroblewski a winning soccer team for next season.
65. Dorothy Mecure leaves Mrs. Haley saying I won't miss any more days.
66. Melissa F. and Tammy C. leaves Mrs. Limero and the basketball team with lots of bruises.
67. Julie Dinnie leaves with her eye spasms acting up in chemistry and Babsy laughing.
68. Stacy B. leaves Elizabeth a manual typewriter with an electric return.
69. HR. 113 leaves Mr. Tenczar our sore arms from carrying 10 lb. books.
70. Sharon leaves her best friends Donna, Teress, and Ms. Wcislo.
71. CB Chaplin leaves Commerce his british accent.
72. Chris D. leaves his Tye Dyes, Ripped Jeans, Heavy Metal tapes, and Ancient Reeboks to Mrs. Haley and Mr. Guerra.
73. Rhonda Hall leaves Commerce saying, "Y'all be burning me up!"
74. Marisha C. leaves wishing all the underclassmen of BSU the best of luck in the future.
75. Quetcy C. leaves Enrique all the success in his last year.
76. Heather A. leaves her sympathy to all the underclassmen.
77. Jeanette C. leaves "Ernest" her table at the cafe for him to use during his next two years here.
78. Edmund J. leaves his Thanks to Commerce and the dust from his tracks.
79. Danny Ramirez leaves Commerce finally.
80. Azand challenges Mr. Basili to find a class better than "88".
81. Alicia, Yvette and Robin leave chemistry with the hopes of an "A".
82. Eric D. leaves BSU all the support in the world.
83. Jackie Loving leaves Commerce Loving all. Sike!!!
84. Elaine D. leaves Althea hoping she gets through "89".
85. Jamie L. leaves Dizzy saying, "I didn't forget my dollar."
86. Alicia and Yvette leave Deana Romasco all by herself!!
87. Keiyan C. leaves saying, "Nobody does it better than the Class of "88"."
88. Ann and Lissette leave Mr. Chechile with their own way for understanding chemistry and still planning on inventing element #110.

G. O. Accountants in Action



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1) Mr. Tenczar keeps the class current on financial matters. 2) Melvin Rodriguez and Stacy Bilodeau measure for caps and gowns. 3) Ying Bung Chung and Carmelo Toledo size up graduation caps. 4) Russell Costa and Amanda Lessard update G.O. payments. 5) Brenda Hebert counts the day's G.O. collections. 6) Elizabeth Santiago, Vionet Garcia and Anabela Cruz write out receipts. 7) Tammy Gallagher validates I.D. cards. 8) Julie Dinnie and Carol Severino complete their STCC accounting work. 9) Nydia Rosario files G.O. statements. 10) Barbara Czelusniak gets an assist with caps and gowns from Nydia Rosario. 11) Betty Gandy updates G.O. records on the MAC. 12) Angela Howard completes the paperwork. 13) Madeline Villodas is an active G.O. member. 14) Dawn Curtis greets the customers. 15) Jean No and Ewa Zduniewicz complete accounting entries on the computer. 16) Eddie Zavala prepares to deposit G.O. collections.

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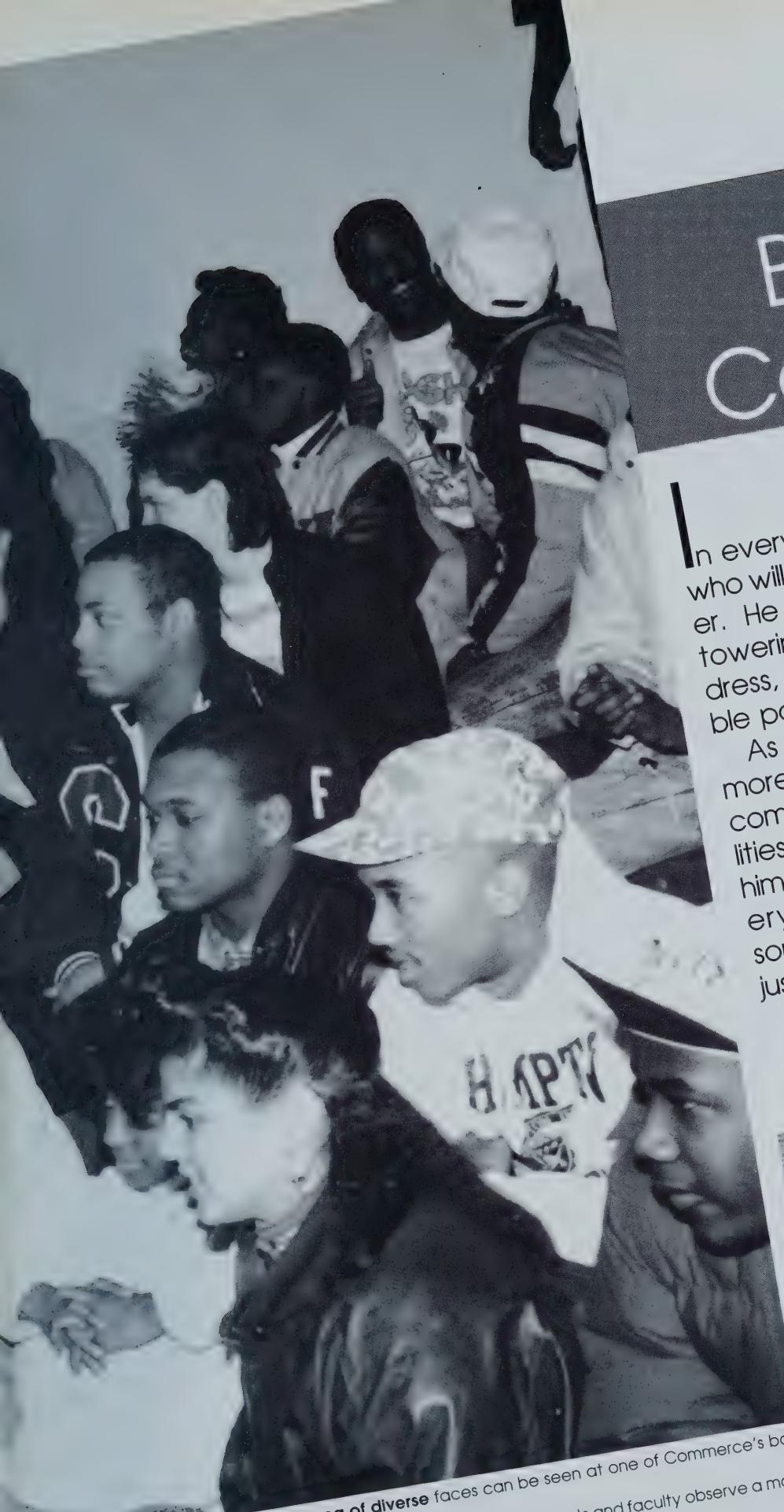


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▲Luis Rodriguez clowns around in his Halloween bum's outfit.



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▲ A sea of diverse faces can be seen at one of Commerce's basketball games.
► Two stand out in a crowd as students and faculty observe a mock accident for prom week.

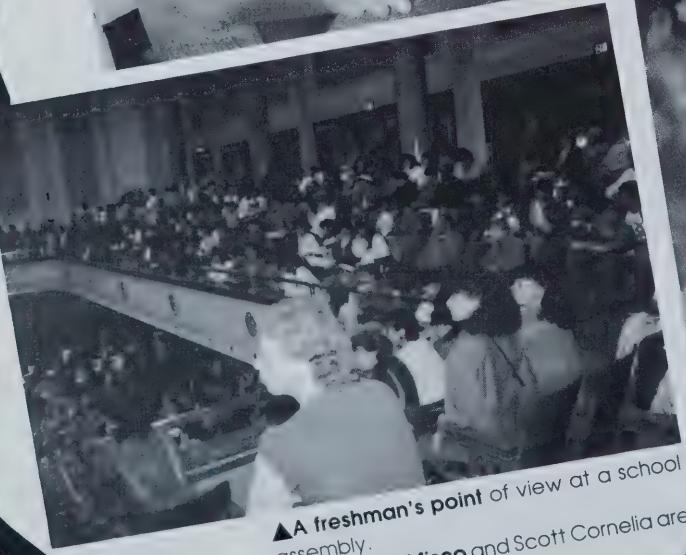


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▲A freshman's point of view at a school assembly.

▲Top: Craig Misco and Scott Cornelia are a unique two in a crowd.



▲Seniors show their spirit at the Halloween rally.

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